

Muswell Hill & Fortis Green Association

Incorporating Alexandra Ward

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Your Association, Your Voice.

Wednesday 21 May

The MHFGA is concerned with everything contributing to the environment of and quality of life in Muswell Hill, Fortis Green and Alexandra wards, including roads, buildings and open spaces.

The Association represents local views on such matters as planning applications, traffic and transport. It provides a voice for local opinion on many areas of wider interest and is represented on the committees of several amenity and public bodies. Representatives of the Committee work hard throughout the year, in response to requests from members for support or advice. The flower troughs on the Broadway enhance the 'town centre' and the flower beds on Colney Hatch Lane and elsewhere are regularly tended.

The Association's Annual General Meeting is on Wednesday 21 May at 8 p.m. in the Garden Room at North Bank, Pages Lane, N10 1PP. See the map on page 2, if you're not sure where the meeting will take place.



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Nominations for Officers to sit on the Committee should be sent to the Chairman, John Hajdu. They can also be put forward at the AGM itself.

The agenda is as follows:

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 Minutes of the AGM on 15 May 2013
- 3 Chairman's Report
- 4 Treasurer's Report
- 5 Election of Officers
- 6 Election of Committee
- 7 Election of Independent Examiner
- 8 Any Other Business, including questions from Members



Following the main business, the winners of the 2014 Photographic Competition will be announced. Committee member Tony Wells says, 'After an apprehensively slow start, we were ultimately delighted by the number of entries, from old and young, with some very good and interesting images, and we'll be able to award prizes to very worthy winners.'

Afterwards, enjoy the customary Association social gathering with an appetising spread laid on for us by The Clissold Arms. We do hope to see you on 21 May.

Clissold Arms

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Important Date for the Diary

Saturday 7 June at 11.00 a.m.

Bill Tyler will lead one of his fascinating walks round N2. Meet at East Finchley Tube. The walk includes East End Road and historic Old Holy Trinity School, differing styles of architecture en route to the Five Bells pub and Holy Trinity Church. The route then follows the old Church Lane to 'The Walks' and through to the High Road, with its variety of buildings and shops, as well as diverting into the Counties Roads to see the differing styles and detail of the houses. The walk returns to the High Road before finishing at the entrance to Cherry Tree Wood at 12.45/1.00 p.m. Open to all, but numbers are limited, so let John Hajdu know (details below) if you're planning on joining the walk. Thank you.



Wanted – Events Supervisor

The Association is looking for someone to help with one of the more interesting facets of its activities. We need someone who can work with the Chairman, finding and booking suitable guest speakers, running meetings, checking the right equipment is available for the speaker, maybe taking photos and making a short report for the Newsletter. This will include sending Press Information about meetings to the local press and other organizations. Four meetings, a walk and the AGM per annum. Some experience preferred, but enthusiasm ideal. Full support given.

Please write to John Hajdu, Chairman, at hajdu.clarion@talk21.com, or come to our AGM on Wednesday 21 May.

BOWLING ALONG

The Muswell Hill Bowling Club is celebrating the start of its 113th season, and is hoping to build upon last year's successes in local competitions. It has an active membership, taking part in friendly fixtures and county and area competitions. The historic green is surrounded by glorious flowerbeds in a beautiful and tranquil setting tucked away behind Kings Avenue in central Muswell Hill. The club has a charming traditional clubhouse and a licensed bar. (If bowls is not your thing, you can become a social member.)



Last year's exceptional weather saw a healthy crop of grapes from the club's vine, so for the first time the club will be serving their very own London red wine 'Bowl-jolie Nouveau - Cotes du Haringey'. Although the 2013 vintage may not be a classic, it's certainly distinctive. See the blog at muswellhillbowls.blogspot.co.uk or contact muswellhillbowls@gmail.com

HOPE FOR THE HOMELESS



Lia Leonis, CEO of the All People All Places charity (APAP), gave a thought-provoking talk to the members in April. Lia described how she could no longer walk past the 'hidden homeless' in Haringey – knowing how little support was available for them - and had to do something about it. She described the fundamental paradox: how does a homeless person get back into accommodation and work, if they can't manage a month's rent and a month's deposit, and how hard is it to hold down a job unless you have somewhere to sleep and wash and eat? APAP charity now serves as the only entry point for a homeless person, who doesn't have any support, but needs to get back into the system.

APAP has thirteen centres within Haringey that run a shelter, part of the Winter Shelter scheme during the colder months, and there are three daytime drop-in centres.

Alongside Lia, a man called Sam was a testament to the success of the charity. He talked about how his life changed: he was homeless but after finding support from All People All Places, he managed to get on a course and is on the point of qualifying as a lawyer with a 2:1 degree.

APAP receives no statutory funding and relies 100% on public support. Lia is planning a sponsored 'Sleep Out' on 6 June 2014 at St James' Church in Muswell Hill to raise funds to support the work they do with the homeless. For more details of how to get involved, visit <http://www.allpeopleallplaces.org/>



THE PARKLAND WALK

Simon Olley tells all

'There are plenty of people who don't know that the Parkland Walk exists. I've met people who've lived in the area all their lives and never found it.' A precious secret for many North Londoners, the Parkland Walk is a local nature reserve (LNR) that was established along the old railway line between Finsbury Park and Alexandra Palace - divided into two sections, one in Muswell Hill and the other, much longer section, running from near Highgate station to Finsbury Park.

Set up in 1988, and revived about seven years ago, The Friends of Parkland Walk (FPW) was a pressure group in response to the threat to build a dual carriageway along its route, and now acts as a critical friend to Haringey and Islington Councils, who share responsibility for the management of the Walk. These days, many of the group's efforts have focused on heightening awareness of 'boundary creep', littering and fly-tipping. Even normal garden waste adds nutrients to the soil that wild flowers cannot tolerate.

Three years ago the group initiated a programme of conservation activities to protect and enhance the variety of habitats contained in this 2.5 mile linear park. Last November, they organised a huge two day clean up operation with assistance from Haringey Council that saw 130 volunteers come out to help remove twenty-four tons of rubbish.

The Parkland Walk Local Nature Reserve is a big asset to maintain, and in truth the reduced resources currently available to council parks departments means that its future wellbeing rests with the community who use it. If you would like to be part of that team of volunteers, the group would love to hear from you. They can supply tools, gloves and guidance. All that's needed is the willing hands. For more information visit the website at www.parkland-walk.org.uk and drop them a line at info@parkland-walk.org (Photos: Stephen Middleton)



Alex's Corner

Dear Members

Join us in congratulating our member **George (György) Gömöri**, distinguished poet, translator and Emeritus Fellow of Darwin College, Cambridge, who is celebrating his 80th birthday by publishing his thirteenth book of poems, *Polishing October: New and Selected Poems*, available from the Muswell Hill Bookshop and elsewhere.

Are you a local writer or a publisher? Does the idea of local Book Forum appeal to you? David Orme, the MHFGA Newsletter's editor, has suggested a regular column in this Newsletter, and maybe some shameless plugs for your own books! Expressions of interest welcome – write to davidorme@aol.com

New Members

Our warmest welcome to our new members: **Mark and Monica Lauber** and their children **Sophie, Hanna and Martin** of Shakespeare Gardens; **Tania Gordon and Moshe Teller** of Creighton Avenue; **Paul and Juliet Natali** of Leaside Avenue, and **Marjorie and Geoff Allen** of Pages Lane.

Many thanks to all those who have sent additional donations and have offered to take an active role in the Association. This moment we need help to organise meetings, including finding speakers, and dealing with the press. If you are available, please write to John Hajdu, Chairman, at hajdu.clarion@talk21.com.

Also, please let me know if you want paper copies of the Newsletter to distribute to friends and neighbours.

And finally...

The new subscription year starts on 1 May and it's time for many members to renew their membership. If you paid by cash, cheque or bank transfer for a single year, you will get a reminder either by email or in your letterbox.

Here's a gentle plea to our long-standing members who have not updated their bank standing orders. Please check your bank statement and make sure that your order is for £8 per year (£20 for corporate members). If you need a new mandate, use the form at the back of this Newsletter, or download from http://mhfga.org/?page_id=45. Or drop me a line and I shall make sure you get the form through your door.

Please send your comments, suggestions and requests to membership@mhfga.org or write to The Membership Secretary, MHFGA, 40 Halliwick Road, London N10 1AA.

Thanks!

Alex

... and a big hand for our corporate members!

Prohibition Wines (Paul Shanley), **Robert Linsky Optometrist** (Robert Linsky), **Storybookers Ltd** (Norman Bailey), **The John Baird** (Keith Nicholas), **Tim Moss Furniture** (Tim Moss), **Toffs of Muswell Hill** (George and Costas Georgiou), **Tootoomoo** (Philip McGuinness), **Tree Trust for Haringey** (Julia Edwards), **Clissold Arms** (George Kyriakos Karageorgis), **Excel English Language School** (Judy Loren), **Feast** (Roger Ward CBE), **Fortismere School** (Helen Anthony), **Muswell Hill Bowling Club** (Paul Chapman), **Muswell Hill Toy Library** (Liz Luxmore), **Norfolk House School** (Samantha Habgood), **Odeon Cinema** (Dee Neal and Mark Mannix).



Bee me up

John Hauxwell, the "Bee Man", addressed an interested audience at our March meeting in North Bank, in conjunction with the Horticultural Society. His inspiration began in 1977 at a local authority class and now he's a very active member (and former chairman) of North London Beekeepers, where teaching is his main role. He still keeps two apiaries (in Kentish Town and East Finchley cemetery). With his wealth of experience and knowledge, we learnt from John, among other things, that a large colony of bees can comprise the queen, 2,000 male drones and up to 60,000 female worker bees. None of which enjoy walking downhill, apparently. Although bee numbers have dropped seriously over the last decade because of the varroa parasite, careful husbandry can ensure continuing bee colonies in Europe.

The bees collect nectar and pollen from crocuses in the early part of the year, through chestnut blossom and finally ivy in the Autumn. The colour and consistency of the resulting honey vary according to the source. Honey yields do vary from year to year, depending on the weather, so it's not always a lucrative hobby – even with local North London honey fetching £8 per pound.

After an enthusiastic series of questions, the audience went away with a much warmer appreciation of the subject, wondering whether a couple of hives – in the garden or on the roof – might be fun.



"If you see a swarm, don't run – stand and watch," advised John.



Have a look at our website, www.mhfga.org

Re: The campaign for a better pedestrian crossing on Colney Hatch Lane at its junction with Alexandra Park Road.

Dear Friends

We handed in our petition to Haringey Council and Transport for London Representatives at the Muswell Hill/Alexandra/Fortis Green/Highgate Area Forum.

We have very positive news to report. Not only did Haringey Council and TfL commit to work together on the junction review (as petitioned for), but we got a date for when it will be done - Autumn of this year. There was also an undertaking by Haringey Council to implement some more immediate improvements to the junction in the form of a raised platform at APR, improved signage and lighting on CHL, and repairs to the road and railings. We will need to see what emerges, but we are excited that all of our, and your, concerns are being taken so seriously by Haringey. Thanks once again to you all for helping us reach this very important milestone, we will keep you updated.

Cross Safe N10 Group

Got a point of view? Want to share it with the membership? Write to us at davidorme@aol.com – with LETTERS in the subject line.

Dear MHFGA Members

Clissold Arms is the Home of the Kinks, having hosted their first and last official gigs. It's full of rock history, with a room dedicated to Kinks memorabilia.

The pub is a shining example of a constantly expanding business – George Karageorgis, owner, is constantly bursting with ideas, having recently introduced Outside Catering, and is currently installing an outside bar. He has, over the years, added two private rooms.

It also plays a large part in the local community, hosting multiple community groups five days a week, as well as regularly raising money for local schools and charities.

Events are also constantly being added to the roster – the fledgling comedy nights, compered by local comedian Mark Maier, and new international music nights, have been great successes.

So why not come down (using the voucher on page 1)? There is always a smile waiting to greet you!

Clissold Arms



On 30 January, Ziggy, our friends' lovely West Highland terrier, died as a result of horrendous injuries sustained three days earlier when he and his master were attacked by an unleashed pit bull mix terrier outside their home. Ziggy was nine years old and much loved by all who met him. He was gentle, affectionate and well cared for. Over the course of his short life, this was to be the fifth and last time he was attacked in our streets.

These violent incidents are not uncommon but what do we do about them? When humans fall victim to such attacks, we act. Offending animals are removed and sometimes destroyed; their owners are brought to justice and a record of what happened is kept. In the case of 'dog on dog' attacks, depending on where we live, little or nothing is done. Dog owners might report the first such incident involving their pet, but the response they get from the authorities makes it unlikely they will ever go down that route again.

The highly criticised Dangerous Dog Act 1991, amended in 1997, is undergoing further amendments at present. However, even as it stands, it is routinely not being enforced.

In Haringey, not only are these incidents not acted upon, they are not documented. Meanwhile, it appears that neighbouring local authorities have welcomed initiatives brought to them by dog specialists and are more pro-active than our own, both in trying to prevent these attacks from happening and in addressing them when they do.

In light of the salient absence of any form of prevention in our own borough, it fast became obvious to my friends that the first thing that needs to happen in Haringey, in order to assess the situation and be in a position to do something about it, is for a database to be set up. Hence their Appeal to Fellow Dog Owners below.

No one here blames the dogs and nor should they, but waiting for the next headline to hit the front pages of our newspapers is definitely not the answer.

Jane Cottave, Burlington Rd. N10

Appeal to fellow dog owners

Be aware of unleashed, untrained and highly aggressive pit bull-mix pets, over which their owners have no control. These dogs are dangerous and are certainly capable of attacking humans too. Sadly, dog-on-dog attacks continue to occur without any recourse to the law as it stands [the police will only get involved if a human is specifically targeted and injured]. The Haringey Dog Unit only deals with strays or allegations of animal cruelty, and the RSPCA declines involvement in these cases. The majority of dog-on-dog attacks are not reported or documented and the true prevalence is therefore not known. Please contact us via the email address below with any details regarding similar experiences in the Muswell Hill area. Hopefully, by collating this information, we might be able to appeal to the authorities to acknowledge the severity of this issue and take action to protect our dogs and our families in the future. Thank you and take care.

ziggygt9@gmail.com

By Nick Barr and John Crompton

10 - 27 Connaught House, Connaught Gardens

The planning process has been tortuous and, at the time of writing, there are over one hundred comments on the application - the majority objecting. Apart from the overall design the main objections are that the plans underestimate the size and overall impact of the proposal. The application appears to be in limbo at the moment.

6 Muswell Hill

This is a small one story building facing Muswell Hill that was once the gate house to Grove Lodge. The application is for the demolition of the majority of the current building and the creation of a larger house behind retained facades. The Association does not propose to object as the building is currently structurally unsound and the scheme will preserve the view from Muswell Hill. However the CAAC has now submitted its objection, as has the Hornsey Historical Society.

7A Tetherdown (ChrisKitch)

The property has been used as a cafe for some time and the owner wants to a restaurant that opens from 8.00 a.m. each day until 6.00 p.m. Monday to Wednesday and until 10.00 p.m. Thursday to Sunday. Positive reviews from Giles Coren and Jay Rayner have been quoted in support of the owner. Comments on the website are divided, but immediate neighbours object on grounds of additional noise, smell, traffic and general disturbance, particularly if tables are placed outside. The Association is of the view that, while a restaurant of this calibre is welcome, the position is not appropriate and has lodged an objection supporting the immediate neighbours.

Shopfronts

Some good news to start, concerning unauthorised fascias. I am pleased to report that, in respect of one of them, following an objection from the Association work has been completed to make the whole shop front much more acceptable. This is the AFOBI furniture shop at 474 Muswell Hill Broadway. As for at least two other unauthorised fascias, the eyes of the Association are watching...

311 Muswell Hill Broadway (HGY/2014/0632)

This is an application to turn the three unit furniture shop (opposite the Post Office) into a restaurant for the Côte chain, including a full width rear extension. At the front, the windows and doors will be openable, so we can be fairly certain that the proposal will mean a large element of outdoor seating. The scale of the proposal therefore has the potential to have a severe impact on nearby residents.

Former Village pub at the top of Muswell Hill

This is becoming a mystery. Following the announcement that J D Wetherspoon had bought the Village, it has all gone cold - is no longer listed as a coming attraction on the Wetherspoon site. It is to be hoped that this does not mean that there are other plans afoot such as converting the building into flats. But the estate agents would just love a development called Muswell Hill Village Apartments.

Hollybank site, southern edge of Rookfield estate

The Association objected to the application for seven houses to replace thirty-two garages. Because of the Borough Council elections the application will not be going to the Planning Committee until June at the earliest.

12 Coppetts Road (HGY/2014/0257)

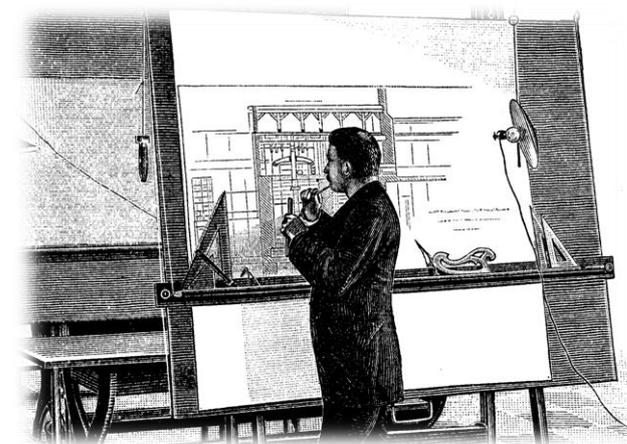
This is a re-submitted application to provide an extension to an existing house and to build a new house in the garden. The new house is of contemporary design and this aspect has not found favour with many of the objectors. The Council refused permission for the proposal last year on the grounds of the effect on the amenity of nearby residents and the loss of at least nine trees. There is obvious concern from the objectors that the Council will now grant it, as often seems to happen in these circumstances.

34 Grove Avenue (HGY/2014/0443)

This is an application by a property developer to turn a relatively modest one bedroom ground floor flat with front and rear garden and garage into a three-bedroom two-bathroom flat with the garage being subsumed into the flat and becoming a habitable room. There is a concern that there could subsequently be an application to make up for the loss of the garage by applying for permission for front garden parking. The proposal can only work with the building of a very large rear extension.

Raglan Hall Hotel, Queens Avenue

The application submitted towards the end of 2013 to convert the hotel into twenty flats has been refused. There were several reasons for refusal including loss of employment, insufficient affordable housing provision and parking.



In an occasional series, the Newsletter meets PETER and ROS KRAUSHAR

The Kraushars' connection with Muswell Hill is quite lengthy. George Pereira, Ros's grandfather, set up as a doctor at 9 Dukes Avenue in 1900 and her parents, Dr Harold and Dr Mary Pereira, practised as doctors for some fifty years at 42 Colney Hatch Lane where Ros was born.

Peter was born in Poland, lived during the war in Italy, came to London in 1946 and was educated at St Paul's and Christ's College Cambridge. A lifetime in marketing followed, as he set up and chaired KAE Development and Mintel International; he also chaired the Marketing Society for two years. Ros went to a number of schools including Tollington Prep and Norfolk House, both in Muswell Hill, and then to Exeter University, followed by adoption work from which she retired to have four children.

They married in Muswell Hill in 1959 and have lived for over forty years in Lauradale Road. Both have been JPs for over twenty years and Ros was also on the Board overseeing Pentonville Prison; she currently runs the I Am With You Foundation which publishes and distributes Christian books all over the world, and also runs the Cockfosters Ecumenical Prayer Group which continues to draw large numbers every week, and has done so for forty-two years. Peter has been busy locally with Alpha courses and with North London Hospice where he recently retired as Chairman after twelve years; he is also involved with the Northern Heights support group for the Hospice - 'we need more members!'

Peter and Ros have travelled extensively all over the world, just back from Riga and Vilnius, but love London and are very happy in Muswell Hill - with no intention of leaving!

'OPEN MIC' at THE RAGLAN HOTEL

Why not visit the next monthly 'open mic' music and poetry night, on Monday 5 May at The Raglan Hotel, Queen's Avenue, N10 3NR? From 8.00 p.m to 10.30 p.m. Performers, listeners, singers, jazz, classical and contemporary self penned music styles - all welcome. Free entry, nice bar, great room. For details, call Cecilia: 07533750400

FRIENDS OF QUEEN'S WOOD Herbal Walk

Saturday 17 May. Enjoy the herbal walk in the wood with Kimberley Walker, Herbalist. Meet 2.00 p.m. at The Lodge. Or join one of the working parties - Sunday 25 May, from 10.30 a.m. to noon. Meet at the Lodge. Tools are provided but please bring your own gloves and, if possible, a mobile phone to keep in touch with the working party leader.

Friends of Alexandra Park will be holding a Fungi Walk on Saturday, 10 May at 2:30 p.m. led by well-known mycologist, Andy Overall. See the Friends of Alexandra Park website for details on how to book a place: www.friendsofalexandrapark.org

CROUCH END FESTIVAL CHORUS

CEFC will be in action with an entirely unaccompanied concert, featuring a glorious collection of works ranging from the 16th century to 2014.

Tallis – Spem in Alium; Tavener – Song for Athene; Annunciation; Vaughan Williams – Mass in G Minor; Anka/Gough – It Doesn't Matter Anymore; plus a WORLD PREMIERE Hughes – Salve Regina.

Southwark Cathedral: Tues 17 June, 7.30 p.m.

Waltham Abbey: Sat 21 June, 7.30 p.m.

For Booking Info, contact <http://www.cefc.org.uk/>

NORTH LONDON EPILEPSY ACTION is a support group for those with epilepsy or with an interest in epilepsy. The group meets on the third Monday of each month (next meeting 19 May) and has lectures, information and social events. For more information, contact Barbara Penney 020 8883 0010 or e-mail barbarapenney@yahoo.co.uk

HORNSEY PENSIONERS ACTION GROUP

HPAG campaigns for the Pensioners' Charter, bringing older people's concerns to decision makers. Meetings are held at the Marian Centre, Hornsey Parish Church Hall, Cranley Gardens, N10 3AH, on the third Wednesday of each month, from 2.00 p.m. Next meeting 21 May 'Declutter your house and your mind?', and on 18 June a trip to Kenwood House. Contact Ann Anderson 020 8340 8335, Pamela Jefferys 020 8444 0732 and Janet Shapiro 020 8883 9571 janet.rmshapiro@gmail.com.

MUSWELL HILL TOY LIBRARY

'We are now in our 28th year, and still going strong'. Open Mondays 2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m., Thursdays 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and Fridays 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Toys, DVDs and music CDs. Children must come with an adult carer! 'Stories and Music' sessions during the Monday and Thursday sessions are FREE to all. 1st Floor - Muswell Hill Library, Queens Ave, N10 3PE.

Farmers' Market, every Sunday, 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. usually at Alexandra Palace - Muswell Hill (bottom) Entrance, N10 3TG, alternatively at Campsbourne School nearby. Check at www.weareccfm.com.

Enjoy the great funfair this half term at Alexandra Palace. A variety of exciting thrilling rides to enjoy with refreshment stalls serving fun fair treats including candy floss and slushies. There are also lots of prizes to be won. Gates open at noon. Paddock Car Park. 23 May - 1 June.

**MUSWELL HILL BOWLING CLUB**

Blue gates, next to 36 Kings Avenue, Muswell Hill, N10 1PB. This year the Club is offering introductory bowls evenings. So, if you fancy a taster session with an experienced player on hand, followed by a cuppa or something stronger, come along on any Tuesday or Friday evening of the season April to September between 6.00 p.m. and 9.00 p.m. The club welcomes players of all ages and experience.

Fortismere Community Orchestra is a new project that aims to bring together players of all ages to create high calibre music. The Orchestra includes students, parents and teachers from Fortismere School as well as members of the wider community. They perform three concerts a year at St Andrews Church. Next concert is on Saturday 12 July 2014 at 7.30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Church, Alexandra Park Road. For more information, please get in touch.

<http://www.fortismeremusiccentre.co.uk/>
07528 482 671 fmcinfo@fortismere.org.uk

The residents of Hillfield Park and St James Lane like a challenge. So, not for the first time, they are getting out the maypole, calling in the oompah band and crowning the Queen of the May on Sunday afternoon 4 May, starting at 1.00 p.m.

PINKHAM WAY ALLIANCE Fundraising Concert.

Suzanna Perry, soprano, and Stephen Brice, baritone, will be performing songs, arias and duets from Mozart, Verdi, Richard Strauss, Ravel, Wagner, Vaughan Williams and Walton, ending with Gershwin and Jerome Kern. They will be accompanied by pianist and vocal coach Chris Gould, who has performed with major singers at the leading London venues, on Radio 3 and in the recording studio. The concert will start at 4.00 p.m. on Sunday 25 May, St Andrews Church, Alexandra Park Road, Muswell Hill, N10 2DD. Tickets will be available nearer the time

On Sunday 1 June, enjoy the atmospheric sounds of the London Metropolitan Brass Band in the Grove, 2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. (in the Palm Court, if wet).

HIGHGATE CHORAL SOCIETY

Highgate Choral Society will perform Rossini's Petite Messe Solennelle on Saturday 17 May at 7.00 p.m. at St. Michael's Church, South Grove, Highgate. www.hcschoir.com

LOCAL POLICING

Telephone number 020 8345 1858

All calls will be answered by a Neighbourhood Police Officer and voice mail messages will be checked twice a day. Don't forget: call 999 if you are reporting a crime that is in progress or if someone is in immediate danger. Call 101 to report crimes that are not an emergency.

Prudence recommends that you check all times and dates with the organizers. If you have an event or activity that might be of interest to the Association's members, for inclusion in the Newsletter, the deadline for the next issue is 15 June 2014.