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Muswell Hill Creatives celebrates 10th anniversary

Rachael Booth-Clibborn writes...

In October 2014, I was chatting to a few friends in the playground of Muswell Hill Primary School and had an idea. Before an extended career break to raise my two children, my career had been in PR and communications for a leading PR consultancy and then as PR manager for disabled children's charity Whizz Kidz. With an appetite to use my skills again and finding the playground full of creative parents, I suggested we join forces in some way.

An initial meeting over coffee at the home of MHFGA committee member and photographer Zoe Norfolk, along with long-term Muswell Hill resident artist Jess Albert, local jewellery designer maker Michele Wyckoff Smith, and then florist Tania McLaren, the idea of a collective was conceived. The aim was to bring local makers together to sell their work, but with me dedicated to event organisation and promotion, it would enable them to focus their energies on what they love doing most – creating.

Just six weeks after the first meeting, Muswell Hill Creatives held its first Open House on Hillfield Park with a wider group of local artists, designers and makers and was a huge success. A further Open House was held in 2015, before we bravely took ourselves out to St James Square for our first market in 2015.



Rachael Booth-Clibborn, founder

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Join us for our early Christmas Holiday Social Event!

from 7pm on Wednesday 20th November

Muswell Hill Bowls Club (Kings Avenue, Muswell Hill, N10 1PB)

Entrance on Kings Avenue, near the junction with Queens Avenue

Come and meet fellow members and the MHFGA Committee at an informal gathering and discover a hidden gem in the heart of Muswell Hill.

Complimentary first drink for members plus nibbles. Further drinks available for purchase from the bar.

MHFGA meeting and events plan for 2025

Thank you to the many members who completed our questionnaire earlier this year - it has been very useful to hear your thoughts about the types and format of events and meetings we organise, and get your ideas!

In addition to this year's early Christmas Holiday Social Event (see the front page), we are planning the following for 2025 - full detail with dates and times will be emailed to members, published on our website and included in the next newsletter.

February - Evening talk and discussion with local police representatives
 March - Local guided walk
 April - Evening talk
 May - AGM and members' social
 June - Local guided walk
 September - Evening talk
 November - early Christmas Holiday Social Event

In addition, we will be organising family volunteering opportunities such as local litter picking, following the successful launch in September this year.

Della Deme

Changes around the Broadway

See our **Facebook page** for the latest news:

- Jigsaw has closed its branch on the Broadway (see photo right, by Zoe Norfolk)
- French restaurant, **Ratatouille**, has now opened at 229 The Broadway.
- A reminder that **Muswell Hill Library** is now planned to re-open in April 2025 - almost a year later than originally timetabled.



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facebook.com/MHFGA



Local stories and links on our X (Twitter) feed
[@theMHFGA](https://theMHFGA)



Great photos on our Instagram account
[@mhfga](https://mhfga)

Visit our website www.mhfga.org for lots of information about the local area including old photos and films of Muswell Hill, useful local links, MHFGA archives and John Hajdu's fascinating history of the Association.

Muswell Hill Creatives celebrates 10th anniversary

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In 2015 I established a membership arrangement for a "dynamic collective of local artists, designers and makers who take pride in quality craftsmanship and promote creativity."

Over the years the collective has included photographers, jewellery designer makers, ceramicists, glassmakers, textile artists, skincare makers, knitwear and childrenswear designer makers, furniture makers, printmakers, florists, leather workers and many more.

The collective quickly expanded geographically and now includes makers based in neighbouring areas including Edmonton, Archway, Crouch End, Turnpike Lane, Bounds Green and Wood Green.



Founding members Karine Gulliksen, Michele Wyckoff Smith, Jess Albert and Liz Horton



Jill Tattersall, Steph Rubbo and Rob Jones

It is common for independent artists, designers and makers to work alone in a studio or at home and it can be a lonely existence. Muswell Hill Creatives provides a supportive and sociable community of like-minded individuals with whom to share the ups and downs of running a small business and to help develop and grow their creative enterprise. They benefit from my marketing expertise, but also the shared experiences and expertise of their fellow collective members.

Over the last 10 years, Muswell Hill Creatives has held 32 markets outside in St James Square, a large-scale exhibition at the Hornsey Town Hall and nine pop up shops including two in East Sussex! We have supported over 40 artists, designers and makers in their creative endeavours as members of the collective and many more as guests at markets and events.

In 2022, the Muswell Hill Creatives Make and Mend Festival was introduced as a twice-yearly event, to give local people an opportunity to enjoy learning a range of making and mending skills under the expert guidance of local creatives. This has proven to be a popular, friendly and fun afternoon of creativity which we plan to continue in 2025.

The collective has had to navigate its way through a pandemic, an increasingly tough economic climate, wild weather and many more challenges along the way, but we're still standing (just about!). We're proud to have shone a spotlight on all the amazing creativity in the area over the last 10 years and to have built such a thriving creative community and hope to do so for years to come.

"I joined Muswell Hill Creatives in 2018 and it has hands down been the best decision I ever made. The sense of support and community has kept me going and I feel that I am much further along in my creative endeavour than I would be if I were on my own. Working in a self-employed creative business can be lonely, but the feedback and encouragement I get from the group is invaluable." Cecilia, By Cecil.

Keep up to date with *Muswell Hill Creatives* via:

[muswellhillcreatives.com](https://www.muswellhillcreatives.com)

facebook.com/muswellhillcreatives



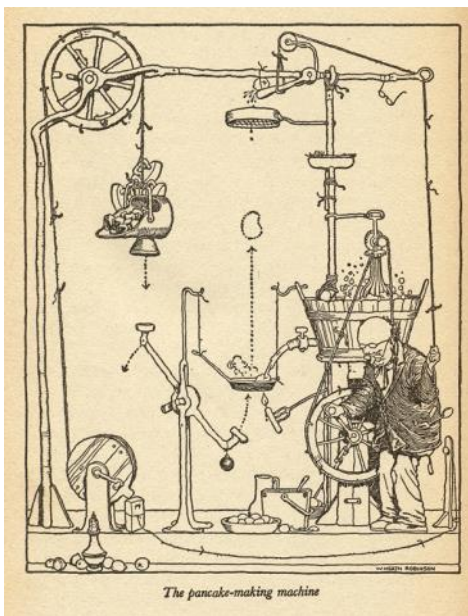
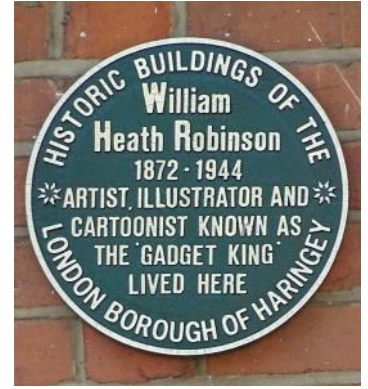
Makers Fair in St James Square, September 2024

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The seventh in our series on local Green Plaques - William Heath Robinson: The Gadget King

Muswell Hill's Green Plaques commemorate notable or famous local former residents. The idea for the scheme, subsequently adopted for the whole of Haringey, came from the then Chair of the Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association, John Hajdu. This plaque was unveiled on 28th January 2008.

A room-sized, hand-cranked pancake-making machine; a two-storey factory to punch Gruyere-like holes in Gloucester cheese; a dance hall with gigantic jazz-playing bagpipes; a spaghetti-stretching machine: the surreal imagination of William Heath Robinson knew no bounds. Born on May 31, 1872, in Hornsey Rise, Robinson became renowned for his imaginative illustrations of absurdly complicated machines and contraptions designed to solve mundane problems in the most convoluted way. With his unique artistic style, he transformed everyday objects into fantastical inventions, captivating audiences with the delightful absurdity of his vision.



Robinson's work was widely published in magazines and books, bringing him significant recognition during his lifetime. He contributed illustrations to *The Strand Magazine*, *Punch*, and many other periodicals. His influence extended beyond humour; he was associated with the Art Deco movement and inspired many contemporary artists with his unique approach to design and illustration.

During the First World War, his work blended humour with social commentary, reflecting the conflict's rapid technological development and absurdities while evoking empathy for the soldiers, showing their challenges and the harsh realities of trench warfare. Some of his illustrations served as propaganda, encouraging enlistment and supporting the war effort through humorous yet poignant imagery.

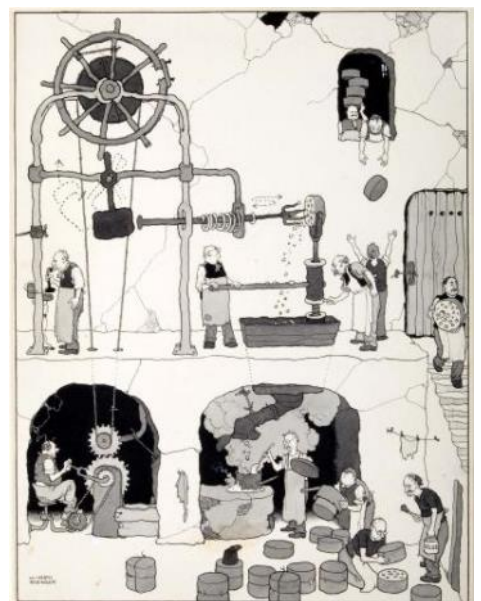
Heath Robinson's contribution to 20th-century commercial advertising—more than 250 illustrations for consumer goods, including Gordon's Gin, Oxo, and Lyle's Golden Syrup—combined wit, creativity, and effective storytelling and reinforced the trend to move away from traditional text-heavy publicity. His innovative approach inspired future generations of illustrators and advertisers, demonstrating the power of visual storytelling in marketing.

As early as 1914, his name was recognised in dictionaries as synonymous with absurd and ingenious contraptions, and, in the 1920s, he was popularised in the press as 'Gadget King'.

Despite his reputation for humorously convoluted illustrations, Robinson was a serious artist who produced a substantial body of work in various mediums. He painted landscapes, portraits, and still life, demonstrating versatility and technical skill. His paintings often reflected the beauty of the English countryside, showcasing his love for nature and the environment.

William Heath Robinson and his family lived at 25 Southwood Avenue between 1931 and 1944. The Green Plaque to Heath Robinson's work is a testament to the power of imagination and the importance of viewing artistry through multiple lenses. While he may be best known for his humorous contraptions, his serious artistic endeavours reveal a depth and complexity that enriches his legacy.

The Heath Robinson Museum, which opened in Pinner in 2016, adds to the celebration of Robinson's legacy. The museum is dedicated to showcasing Robinson's works and exploring the themes of invention and creativity that permeate his art. Visit it also online at heathrobinsonmuseum.org.



PC Keith Blakelock memorial



In early October, the anniversary of the murder of a former Muswell Hill-based police officer, PC Keith Blakelock, was marked by a ceremony at his memorial, situated next to Boots on Muswell Hill roundabout.

One of our members, *John Lawal*, took this photo of the ceremony.

Next year will be the 40th anniversary of the police officer's murder during the riots on the Broadwater Farm estate in Tottenham.

Roman kiln in Highgate Woods

I had the absolute pleasure to be able to witness the opening of the replica kiln which was successfully loaded and fired in Highgate Woods on 1st to 3rd September.

Lots of happy faces all round and a fantastic range of beautiful pots specially created for the firing. The close up is an example of a pot recreated in what is thought to be a signature style of the pottery produced in Highgate nearly 2,000 years ago. The photo was taken just after its removal from the kiln and the volunteer is cradling it in her protective gloves because it was still too hot to handle.



One of the original Roman kilns is now on display in the visitor hut in the Woods.

Many congratulations to all involved with the project including Harvey Sheldon and Tony Brown, archaeologists who first worked on the site in 1966.

Weekly cricket session for people with disabilities at Middlesex Indoor Cricket School

This is a great initiative for those aged 12 to 25 - please spread the word. Full details at lordstaverners.org/super1s

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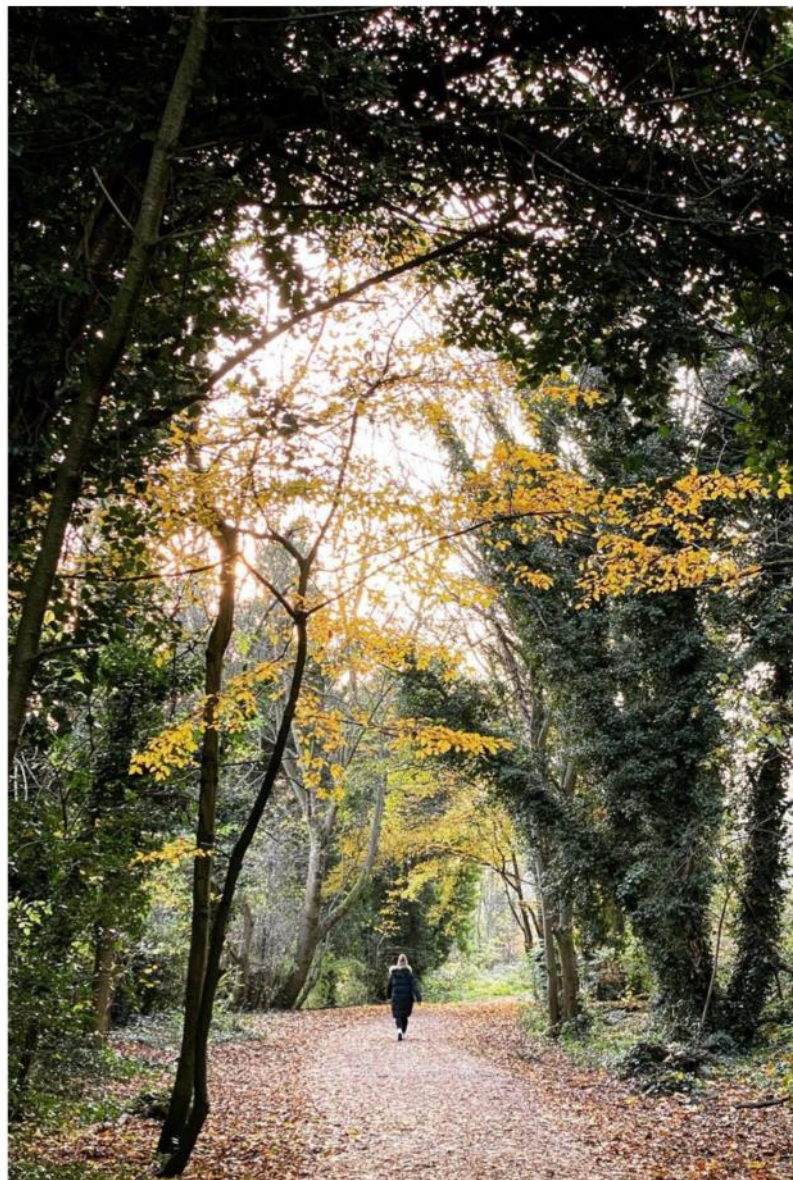
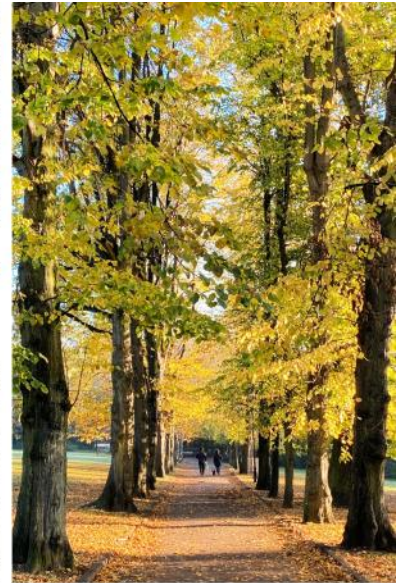
www.lordstaverners.org/super1s





Zoe Norfolk's photos of Muswell Hill

Autumnal photography from around Muswell Hill by our Social Media Officer, Zoe Norfolk. Her book of local photographs is available at zoe-norfolk.sumupstore.com - use checkout code N10FREE for free delivery.



Update from the Met Police Safer Neighbourhood Panel, Muswell Hill Ward

Staying connected with the police and reporting crime

The police cannot emphasise enough that if a crime event takes place it needs to be reported. If a crime is in progress just call 999. If it has already happened, then the best way of reporting is online via the Met Police website. If you call 101, an operator will put the information into the same database, so you might as well save the hassle of waiting on line for someone to answer your call and put the information in yourself.



Are you making the most of the Met Police website?

There is information to be found about local crime issues on the Met Police website. It is really easy to find the corners of the site which have been reserved just for us in the Muswell Hill, Fortis Green and Alexandra Park wards

Just Google “Met Police” and type your ward name or address in the search bar. The picture above is a screenshot of the opening page. For Muswell Hill Ward a photo of the spire of St James Park pops up – for Alexandra Park it’s the entrance to the Palm Court and for Fortis Green it’s a photo of a street sign on a tree.

We lost our local police station years ago and the police promised to keep in touch with regular contact points which are usually in cafés. This has often been a hit and miss affair and the police have been asked to put up notices to advertise when and where they take place. However, if you look on the web page for your ward you will find the contact points listed – for example ‘Cuppa with a copper’ for Muswell Hill Ward often take place in Café Nero on the Broadway. The police also walk down specified streets and hold surgeries at pre-arranged times and places – for example, there is a ‘Street Briefing’ in Fortismere Avenue on 6th November.

The crime maps for each ward are not particularly detailed, but give a guide to what has been going on.

Crime Advice for Winter

It's no surprise that thieves have families themselves and want to put toys and presents under the Christmas tree just like everyone else. Unlike most, they will not bother to pay for their presents but may steal from shops and sneak into strangers' houses. Burglary is a nasty crime and leaves victims feeling violated and insecure. It often peaks in November and December.

- If you are going away, try and make your house look occupied with lights going on and off with timers
- Keep all doors and windows locked and secured when the house is empty
- Arrange for someone to pop into your house when you are away to hide post or deliveries
- Video doorbells can be a deterrent

Finally – if you want specific confidential advice about how to keep your home secure then contact your Safer Neighbourhood team and an officer will pop round and give you advice. Contact details are on the ward Page of the Met website.

Stay safe!

Patricia Pearl, Chair, Met Police Safer Neighbourhood Panel Muswell Hill Ward

New trees are coming to Muswell Hill Broadway and Fortis Green Road!



You may have seen the Association's email in September concerning the crowdfunding campaign to plant new trees in the Broadway and Fortis Green Road. This exciting initiative was inspired by two local residents Louise and Minty who brought the idea to the Association last year. Brian Livingston (our Environment committee member) made contact with Alex Fraser (Haringey Tree Manager) and soon Alex met with Louise, Minty and Brian to survey the two streets and find potential sites for tree planting. The proposed locations were passed over to Haringey's Highways department who undertook a detailed survey to check that the locations were free of underground obstructions and suitable for pedestrians, wheelchair users, buggies and the like. A number of the locations were found not to be suitable and were rejected by the Highways department but in the end around 30 locations were approved. The type of tree to be planted has been carefully chosen by Haringey Council's tree specialists to suit each location. The trees will be around 5 years old and 3-4 metres high when planted, and grow to moderate size with a narrow upright shape. The trees will be planted with a tree stake, wire mesh tree guard, watering bag and irrigation tube.

A consultation was carried out by Haringey Council with the residents and businesses close to the proposed sites for the new trees. At the same time our initiative was joined by Jennie of Cachao Toys who had been talking to Haringey about planting trees along the stretch of the Broadway from the roundabout to the start of Colney Hatch Lane.

The next step was to arrange a crowdfunding campaign to raise the money for the trees. Haringey Council works with the national charity "Trees for Streets" to increase the number of trees in the Borough. The full cost of supplying, planting and maintaining a tree for three years is approximately £800 but we need to only raise £295 per tree with Haringey Council covering the balance of £500 per tree. Our campaign to raise £8,850 to plant 30 trees was launched on the Trees for Streets website at the end of September and thanks to the very generous support of local residents and businesses we reached our goal within two weeks! We raised our target to £11,800 to fund a further 10 trees and this target was reached quickly. The initial 30 trees will be planted this planting season (November to March) and the additional trees will be planted next planting season (from November 2025) once the new locations have been identified and surveyed.

The campaign has now been paused until 2025 to give time for the additional locations to be surveyed and signed off. However the campaign website is still accessible to read about what has been achieved and to ask any questions. If you have a question please first check the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on the site to see if the question has already been answered. Go to:

sponsor.treesforstreets.org/crowdfunder/lets-fill-muswell-hill-broadway-and-fortis-green-road-with/faqs

Many thanks to everyone who made a donation to the campaign!

Brian Livingston

Corporate member profile: *Meadow Motions*

We believe that taking care of your health is essential for achieving balance in your body and mind. Our mission is to provide a tranquil space where you can reset, recharge, and focus on your well-being. Guided by our core values of integrity, compassion, and excellence, we are dedicated to delivering personalised treatments tailored to your individual needs.



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This vision inspired the establishment of Meadow Motions—an independent place devoted to relaxation and self-care. Located in the heart of Muswell Hill at 214 Fortis Green Road, we are committed to providing services that enhance your overall well-being.

For a full list of the range of treatments we offer, please visit our website at meadowmotions.com

Renato Karai



Campaign against double yellow lines on Park Road

Specialist hi-fi retailer, Audio Gold, is leading a campaign against proposals to put double lines outside The Haelan Centre, Audio Gold, NISA, Coral Pharmacy and other businesses on the stretch of Park Road at the bottom of Muswell Hill. The proposals form part of a number of traffic orders published on 17th October and due to come into effect from the 13th November. Audio Gold and other businesses, nor local residents, appear to have been directly consulted about the orders, and they were noticed only after being posted to a lamp-post.

There is significant concern that the double yellow lines will make it challenging or even impossible for the shops to function. More details and suggestions on how to get involved are available at audiogold.co.uk/double-yellow-lines-no-thanks



Spectacular fireworks at Ally Pally

This year's Fireworks Festival at Ally Pally included a magical drone show. Visitors were wowed by an incredible 3D experience culminating in a massive, floating, rotating logo (as shown in the photo to the left) which was greeted by cheers from the many thousands in the crowd.

Photos courtesy of Alexandra Palace



MHSG annual green open homes season now underway



Muswell Hill Sustainability Group's annual GREEN OPEN HOMES SEASON runs from 4th November to 2nd December, offering THREE evening talks and Q&As on 4th and 18th November and 2nd December, by architects, retrofit specialists and renewables installers.

Pre-bookable tours of EIGHT houses across N10, N17 and N22 that have reduced their emissions, reduced their energy bills, increased their comfort and increased their energy efficiency.

DISCOVER THE DOs & DON'Ts...

The line-up showcases a wonderful cross section, including scratch built Passivhaus, retrofitted heritage properties, a fully electric, ex-local authority house and an 80s timber house. And the full range of potential measures, from quick fix LED lighting and thermal blinds to

water butts and green roofs to thermal solar panels, solar PVs, wall and floor insulation.

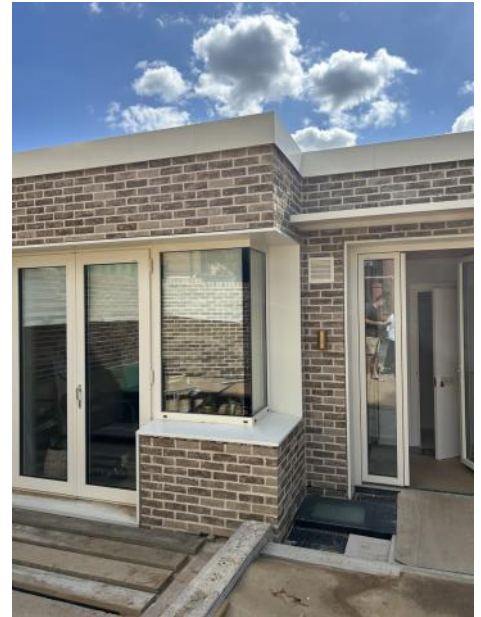
Whatever stage you are at on your decarbonising journey, whatever your budget, whatever the feasibility restrictions, you'll find a tour or a talk to furnish you with invaluable inspiration, information and recommendations straight from the coal face (poor reference!) - from those that have and are doing it.

All tours and events are free, but need to be pre-booked through the MHSG booking site at

wegottickets.com/MuswellHillSustainabilityGroup

where you'll find further info on all the houses and talks.

Lisa Jones



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DEADLINE 15 NOVEMBER 2024

Local organisations

Please send event details for our next newsletter by 15th December to editor@mhfga.org

ALEXANDRA PALACE AND PARK

The Alexandra Park Visitor Centre near The Grove car park is open **every Sunday between 2 and 4pm**. Events and visitor information always available at alexandrapalace.com

FRIENDS OF COLD FALL WOOD AND MUSWELL HILL PLAYING FIELDS

Regular meetings on **first Tuesday of the month 7.30pm**. coldfallwoods.co.uk for more information.

FRIENDS OF QUEEN'S WOOD

Friends of Queen's Wood working parties on **last Sunday of the month from 10.30am**. Tools provided but bring suitable gloves.

For in-person events meet outside The Lodge off Muswell Hill Road. Talk on the Nutrient Cycle of Trees and Fungi by Russell Miller via Zoom on **Tuesday 19th November 7pm**. Visit fqw.org.uk for more information.

HARINGTON SCHEME

Providing unique opportunities for young adults with learning disabilities and/or difficulties. More details at harington.org.uk

HORNSEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Lots of resources and interesting local history books to buy plus details of regular events at hornseyhistorical.org.uk

HORNSEY PENSIONERS ACTION GROUP

Contact Ann Anderson on 020 8340 8335 or hornseypensionersactiongroup.org.uk

HORNSEY PETANQUE CLUB

See article in the May 2024 issue and at hornseypetanque.club

LONDON EPILEPSY ACTION

Contact Barbara Penney on 020 8883 0010 or email barbarapenney@yahoo.co.uk

MUSWELL HILL & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Now in its 110th year, a great network for anyone interested in gardening. Full information at bloomingn10.co.uk
Contact: Jenny Kruss on 020 8442 0031 or bloomingn10@outlook.com

MUSWELL HILL BOWLING CLUB

Kings Avenue N10 1PB (next to No. 36)
Founded in 1901 and one of the oldest clubs in north London. Full information at muswellhillbowlingclub.co.uk – or contact Richard Johnstone at rjej938@gmail.com

MUSWELL HILL CHILD CONTACT CENTRE

The Contact Centre, attached to the Methodist Church in Pages Lane, provides a friendly and supportive place where the children of separated parents can meet their non-resident parent in a neutral and safe space on Saturday mornings. Further information can be obtained from our website mhmc-contactcentre.org.uk or by email at contact.centre@mhmc.org.uk

MUSWELL HILL PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Meet on **Wednesday evenings** at Friends Meeting House in Church Crescent, and warmly welcome new members. Information at muswellhillphoto.org.uk or email contact@muswellhillphoto.org.uk

MUSWELL HILL SUSTAINABILITY GROUP

A local action group helping residents live more sustainably - saving energy, cutting waste, growing food locally and travelling greener. We work with other local groups, businesses, Haringey Council and our community energy company en10ergy. All are welcome to our regular speaker meetings, advice events including Green Open Homes, and social activities. See article on page 10. Details at mhsgroup.org or email info@mhsgroup.org

MUSWELL HILL WELCOMES

An inter-faith project supporting refugees and asylum seekers, bringing together volunteers offering skills such as cooking, English speaking and more. Details at facebook.com/muswellhillwelcomes

NORTH LONDON CHORUS

A friendly local choir - see article on page 5 and northlondonchorus.org for details. Concert of French 20th-century works including Poulenc Gloria and Durufé Requiem on **Saturday 23rd November 7.30pm** at St James Church, Muswell Hill, N10 3DB. Nadine Benjamin *soprano*, James Cleverton *baritone*, George Herbert *organ*, Murray Hipkin *conductor*. Tickets £25/£21/£13 conc. £2 reduction. Available on website or via St James Church bookshop.

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Lunchtime concerts at the church on Alexandra Park Road organised by V&J on **Saturday 16th November 1pm** - Bach, Vierne, Britten, Evans and more, Robert Evans *piano and organ*, Veronica Chacon *mezzo-soprano*, and **Saturday 7th December 1pm**—Delibes, Franck, Fauré and more, V&J Ensemble. Details at alexandrapark.org

ST. JAMES CHURCH

Details including groups and concerts at st-james.org.uk

WAVE HUB

See details of Winter Fair on **28th November, 10am to 6pm** and festive wreath workshop in the evening, plus regular events including the Wave Café, art and well-being at wavehub.org.uk

Join our Committee!

One way to get more involved in the work of the Association is to join our Committee to help on specific areas of our work.

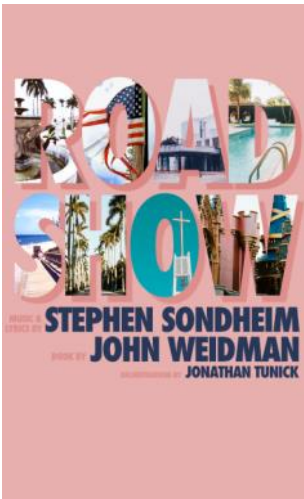
Volunteering is often interesting and rewarding. We love to hear from members who are thinking about getting more involved in the local community.

We are particularly interested in hearing from members to discuss the role of Chair, and also PR / marketing support.

Our Committee is a friendly bunch and there is flexibility in adapting roles to fit individuals.

To have an informal chat please contact any of the Committee members listed on page 2 or come along to our social event on 20th November (see front page).

We look forward to hearing from you!



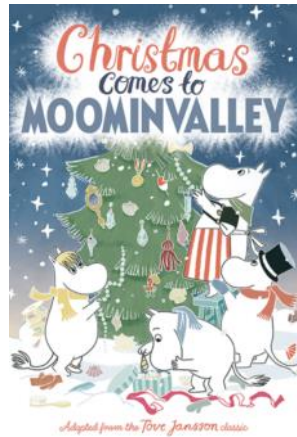
Road Show

12th December - 12th January

Upstairs at the Gatehouse

From the frenzy of the Gold Rush to the real estate boom in Florida, Sondheim and Weidman's complex, catchy, and darkly funny tale based on the true story of the Mizner Brothers chronicles the curdling of the American Dream.

Details about this and other shows including drama, cabaret and musicals at upstairsatthegatehouse.com



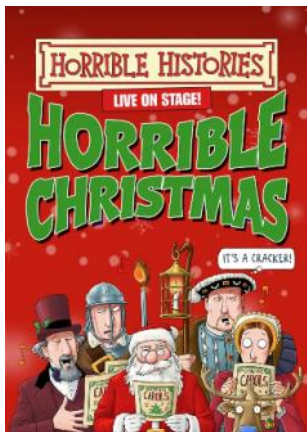
Christmas comes to Moomin Valley

6th December - 5th January

Jacksons Lane

The Moomins are woken up from their winter sleep to be told that 'Christmas' is coming. The only trouble is, the puzzled Moomins have no idea who, or what 'Christmas' is...

Details about this and other shows at jacksonslane.org.uk



Horrible Histories presents Horrible Christmas

12th December - 4th January

Alexandra Palace Theatre

When Christmas comes under threat from a jolly man dressed in red, it's up to one young boy to save the day – but can he save Christmas? It's a celebration of Christmas in the most wonderful, funny and moving way you'll ever see.

Details about these and many other shows and events at alexandrapalace.com/whats-on

Spurs' Book Day

23rd November, 11am to 4pm

Bruce Castle Museum and Archive

A day of short talks by authors for Spurs fans. The Old Kitchen Pop-up Cafe will be selling light refreshments, teas, coffees - and the all-important Tottenham Cake!

Free but booking required. More details at brucecastle.org



Membership

If you live, work, or just enjoy spending time in Muswell Hill, why not join over 700 other members of the Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association. For just £10 annual membership for households, or £25 for businesses and organisations, you can support our actions and campaigns; receive six bi-monthly newsletters with local news and events; receive email updates with community news and developments; attend members' meetings; and come to our annual guided local walk. Join at mhfga.org/membership

We encourage existing members not already set up on Direct Debit to do so at membermojo.co.uk/mhfga/renew where you can also renew using PayPal. For any membership queries, please get in touch via membership@mhfga.org

We are pleased to welcome new corporate member Meadow Motions (*see article on page 9*).

Our business and organisation

members are key parts of our community. You can find links to their websites at www.mhfga.org/directory

Angela Rose
Baby Sensory
Broadway Beauty
Broadway Pet Stores

Broadway Pharmacy
Capital Gardens
Children's Bookshop
Clissold Arms
Cosi Homewares
CPotential
Dunn's Artisan Bakers
East Finchley Open Artists
Fornaro Pizza
Gallalock
Gibfit30
Greens of Highgate
Harmony Coffee House & Soft Play
Hornsey Pensioners
House of Books (Fanshaw Books)

Knights Gardens
La Petite Colline
Leigh Brown
Lunablu Pizzeria
Magma Books
Meadow Motions
Men @ 107
Muswell Flyer
Muswell Hill Bowling Club
Muswell Hill Club
Muswell Hill Creatives
Muswell Hill Karate Academy
Muswell Hill Methodist Church
Muswell Hill United Reformed Church

Muswell Hill & District Horticultural Society
Muswell Hillbilly Brewers
New Wave Tattoo
Norfolk House School
North London Chorus
North London Symphony Orchestra
Panoptica - MH Optical Ltd
Robert Linsky Optometrist
Roni's Bagel Bakery
Sally Bourne Interiors
Snappy Snaps Muswell Hill
Sounds & Shapes (V&J)
St Andrew's Church, Alexandra Park

St James's Church, Muswell Hill
Tatlers Estate Agents
The Cut Barbershop
The Good Rooms
The Harington Scheme
The People's Pantry
The Robin Kiashek Osteopathic Clinics
Total Boxer
Walter Purkis & Sons
WAVE Hub
Woodland Tree Surgery
Yogamatters