

SPRINGBOARD

MARCH 2016

DIARY OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

BOOK FAIRS: Saturdays 19 March, 16 April and 21 May 10.30-2.30pm in St John's Church The popular Book Fairs are back again this year. Come along and browse the books and enjoy delicious refreshments. On 19 March all money raised from the café, serving a delicious soup lunch, will be for our Hand in Hand for Syria Appeal. Our Big Book Fair Brunch on 16 April will be in aid of the Church Regeneration Fund, and the refreshments on 21 May will be for Christian Aid.

SUNDAY 20 MARCH TO SUNDAY 27 MARCH: EASTER WEEK SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH and KINGSTON METHODIST CHURCH on the FAIRFIELD

Palm Sunday Holy Communion at 9am in St John's. The main service will be a joint service with Kingston Methodist Church starting at 10.15am in the Church on the Fairfield followed by a procession to St John's where the second half of the service will be take place - all are welcome. **Maundy Thursday** service at 7pm, with supper and footwashing, will be at the Fairfield Church. **Good Friday** in St John's at 1pm-3pm - a Children's Workshop with Easter activities and crafts. All children welcome (accompanied by an adult). At 3pm - All Age Good Friday Service. **Easter Sunday** at 10am - Easter Communion with Easter Ceremonies and Egg hunt for the children at St John's.

FRIDAY 15 APRIL: SPRING BARN DANCE IN THE PARISH HALL, GROVE LANE at 8pm.

Drive away the winter by welcoming the Spring at our annual barn dance. Local ceildh band 64 Bars will provide the music, with Liz and John Scholey doing the calling. This is an occasion where all the members of our community, families, and the young and not so young can come together and enjoy themselves. A great evening out!!

Tickets are £8 for adults, £4 for children (16 or under), £20 for family (2 adults + 2 children), and include a delicious hot supper and salads. Soft drinks and alcoholic drinks will be available at the licensed bar. Please purchase your tickets **beforehand** from: SGRAkingston@gmail.com, Gordon Bell, 15 Grove Lane (8549 8540), Jackie Steinitz, 26 Geneva Road (8541 4482), Karol Smal, 9 Grove Lane (8549 8424) or McCluskey's Off-Licence, Bloomfield Road.



FRIDAY 20 MAY: ST JOHN'S PARISH HALL, GROVE LANE at 8pm

SATURDAY 21 MAY: ST JOHN'S PARISH HALL, GROVE LANE at 7.30pm

Spring Grove Fringe presents another of its brilliant productions – “A Night at the Musicals”. This will be a supper evening with songs from great musicals – and more details will be in the next Springboard. Bookings on SGFkingston@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY 25 MAY: A.G.M. IN ST JOHN'S CHURCH, GROVE LANE at 8pm

The **Annual General Meeting** of the **SPRING GROVE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION** will be held in the Parish Hall. All residents, longstanding or recently arrived in the area, are welcome to attend. There will be a guest speaker and also our Ward Councilors and representatives from the University and the Grove Ward Safer Neighbourhood Police team to answer your questions on matters concerning our area. More details to follow in the next Springboard.

The current SGRA Committee Members are



Any resident wishing to join the committee or help with community activities, contact

LOCAL BUILDING DEVELOPMENTS

The application to develop 49 homes on the former Dairy Crest milk depot on Lower Marsh Lane (Ref: 15/16840) has been approved subject to certain conditions. The development will mostly be behind the existing shops on Villiers Avenue but will also include a new block of flats close to the roundabout with ground floor retail units. The height of this block will rise 5m above the roofline of the current parade. The fourth submission by St. George (Ref: 14/13247 – Jan 16) for developing the Old Post Office site (TOPO) was approved last month with 6 of the 11 councillors on Kingston Council’s Development Control Committee voting in favour. This scheme includes several high rise buildings rising to 16 storeys and 319 residential units. British Land’s planning proposals for the Eden Walk redevelopment (Ref: 15/13063) were debated at a pre-decision meeting on 8 March. The proposals, with several high rise buildings, are for 380 homes plus leisure, office and retail space. The decision meeting will be on 23rd March. More information about the St. George and British Land proposals can be found on the RBK planning database www.kingston.gov.uk and on Kingston Residents’ Alliance website <http://kingstonskyline.weebly.com>.

OTHER HAPPENINGS IN OUR AREA

SGRA Noticeboard outside the Parish Hall – If you wish to advertise your community activity on the notice board please contact committee members Karol Smal, Gordon Bell or Phil Harvey (contact details above).

THE SGRA WEBSITE and EMAIL LIST and FACEBOOK. Please see www.springgrovekingston.co.uk for the latest news and links to other relevant sites. If you have any suggestions or news contact jackie@springgrovekingston.co.uk. Also, contact Jackie if you would like to go on the SGRA email list to receive the latest news of events etc. We are also on www.facebook.com/SGRAKingston so please ‘like’ our page.

THE PARISH HALL is available for hire for social functions and children’s parties – contact Frances Hazelgrove 07952 085661 or admin@stjohnskingston.co.uk

- These are the weekly groups and contacts that would be pleased to welcome you:
- Mon 7.30-10.00 Badminton Contact Phil Harvey 020 8549 4677
 - Tue: 3.00-7.30pm Dance Stars clare.rowland@dance-stars.com
7.45-9.15 Jui Jitsu marc@juijitsubrotherhood.com
 - Wed: 3.30-6pm Perform – drama, dance & singing workshops for children (sophieladd@perform.co.uk)
8.00-10.00 Spring Grove Fringe Drama Group sandy.gavshon@yahoo.com
 - Thur: 4.00-5.30pm Jui Jitsu for children marc@juijitsubrotherhood.com
7.50-9.10 Calasara Fitness calasarafitness@gmail.com
 - Sat: 9.30-11.30 Bellarinas (ballet/modern dance classes) info@bellarinas.co.uk
 - Sun: 9.00-11.00 Rugbytots rugbytotsswondon@gmail.com
6.30-8.00 Neo-Nunchako exercise (1st two Sundays each month) johnalbury@neo-nunchaku.co.uk

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