

THE BARNET FLYER

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Looking Forward

The start of 2012 has the “conference season” with the Barnet AGM, Area Conference and National AGM. If you would like to take any part in the running of Plus, now is the time to start thinking about it. For more information, you should talk to Mark.

The Christmas Meal

The Barnet Christmas meal is on Saturday 3rd December at Ye Olde Cherry Tree in Southgate. The menu is:-

Starters - Duck and Game Paté en Croûte, Prawn Cocktail, Beer Battered Mushrooms or Warm Devon Scrumpy Pears

Main - Braised British Beef, Butter Roasted Turkey, Sole and Smoked Salmon Roulade, Lentil, Cashew Nut and Cheddar Tart or Duck Confit

Desserts - Traditional Christmas Pudding, Mandarin and Pannacotta Terrine, Black Forest Yule Log, Bramley Apple Pie, or Ice Cream Sundae

If you would like to go then please pay Mark £18 ASAP as the initial booking is nearly full and we may not be able to get any more places.

Brean 2012

We have the dates for Brean 2012 but few other details as yet. The confirmed date is Friday 20th April to Monday 23rd April. The venue is the Brean Leisure Park as previous years. The cost is £70 per person if paid in full before the National AGM, which means money in Mark’s hand by 12th February.

Sunday Night Meetings

Generally all Sunday evening events are in the studio at the All Saints Arts Centre.

We ask you to aim to get there at 8.15pm. We will start the event at 8.30pm and should finish by 10pm with a drinks break at around 9.30pm. The timing allows for those who have a time consuming journey home to attend on a Sunday night. Please try to be on time.

There have been increasing numbers of “problem nights” where we can’t have the hall at the All Saints Arts Centre. We are generally at the Cavalier if we can’t be at the All Saints. This and the related access and parking problems are being considered by the committee.

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The Barnet Spy

The only matters which the spy has been informed about of late are connected to the recent charity "Pink Party". At the subsequent Area Meeting there was comment by other groups on what one Barnet member would do to win a prize and whether it was something they usually did !.

Other than that everyone has either been good lately (or nobody has grassed them up). However, at the time of writing, WASH was in prospect so perhaps there will be some noteworthy events there.

Anglesey Walking Weekend

Looking ahead somewhat, an opportunity to explore the island of Anglesey and its scenery by walking and other activities is available between Friday 31st August and Monday 3rd September 2012. The weekend is being organised by Francis Wallington (AKA chocolate cake).

He says that *"we will be using a 16 bed bunk house near Rhoscolyn" and "this event is fully catered and the weekend also provides an ideal base to explore North Wales"*.

For more details, in the first instance contact Mark who can put you in contact with Francis.

North Thames & Chilterns Area Cornwall Weekend

This takes place between Friday 6th and Mon 9th July 2012 at a caravan site near (I believe) Perranporth in Cornwall. Adrian Barnard writes

"Bookings for Cornwall are now coming in (July 6th – 9th 2012) £20 deposit will get you a reserved space, total cost being £65. This is in deluxe 6 berth caravans, (not eight berth like advertised by the site!). Spaces at £65 are limited, in the event we run over then another caravan can be secured but the cost is likely to be in excess of double the advertised price in the event their costing regime for discounts is to be believed at face value / one fails in negotiating a better deal. Getting those deposits in early of course negates such problems.

Adrian."

If you would like to go to the North Thames & Chilterns Area Cornwall Weekend then contact Adrian

Programme

November

Fri 04	WASH – first day	Mon 07	WASH – go home
Sat 12	Pool night – Queens Arms (near Barnet Odeon)	Sun 13	Catchphrase (FB)
Sat 19	Spice Carriage – Indian (High Barnet)	Sun 20	Travel Scrabble (MH)
Sat 26	Canal Café Theatre (Comedy – Little Venice)	Sun 27	Noisy at All Saints – Pub Night Cavalier

December

Sat 03	Barnet Christmas Meal	Sun 04	Christmas Quiz (MH)
Sat 10	NT&C Christmas Disco at The Golden Lion, London Colney	Sun 11	Christmas Quick On The Draw (LC)
Sat 17	The Mitre Pub - Barnet	Sun 18	Barnet Christmas Party
Sat 24	(Closed)	Sun 25	(Closed)
Tue 27	Winter Walk - 1pm		
Sat 31	(Closed)		

January

Sat 07	Bowling	Sun 01	Pub Night Cavalier
Sat 14	Misty Moon – Karaoke	Sun 08	Quiz of 2011 (MH)
Sat 21	Prince of Wales – Pub Night	Sun 15	Bring & Bingo (DB/PS)
Sat 28	Bingo – Borehamwood	Sun 22	Barnet AGM (All)
		Sun 29	Area Conference (D) Winter Olympics (CS)

February

		Sun 12	Pay your Brean balances by today.
Sat 18	National AGM		

April

Fri 20	Brean – first day	Mon 23	Brean - go home
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For information on events, talk to the activities officer or another committee member. Please put your name down for Saturday night events on the preceding Sunday evening.

Events Information

Saturday events (and to a lesser extent Sunday events) are potentially subject to change. The Google calendar (available from barnetplus.com) should be more accurate.

Group Committee

Chairman	Treasurer	Secretary	GCM
Deirdre Brooks	Mark Hawkins	Lucy Smith	Clare Smithers

Activities	Publicity	Internet	GCM
Lance Creed	Francine Brennan	Oliver Pavey	Phillip Saffer

For activities information contact the activities officer or another committee member.

The Barnet Flyer

The next Flyer is due out in January (and might even be done then this time !). Barnet Plus is in North Thames & Chilterns Area of the Federation of Plus Areas. The Federation Honorary General Secretary can be contacted via (08708) xxxxxx. More National Federation information is available at <http://www.plusgroups.org.uk/>

Where, When and Public Transport

Sunday night activities are held in the studio room of the All Saints' Arts Centre, 122 Oakleigh Road North, London N20 9EZ and start at 8.30pm. See map for details.

By bus: 34, 125 & 251 to Oakleigh Road North; 234, 263, 326 to Whetstone High Road, then walk up Oakleigh Road North.

