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Nether Edge Festival

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The Nether Edge Neighbourhood Group was set up in 1973 with the following aims:

To improve the conditions of life especially of those living or working in the areas of Brincliffe, Nether Edge and Sharrow in Sheffield, without distinction of sex or race, or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating with local authorities, voluntary organisations and residents in a common effort to advance our education, to improve the environment and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation and leisure time activities.

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EDITORIAL

We held our usual Festival Planning meetings round a table, inside, in January and February, pleased to see that many new members had enthusiastically joined the Planning Group for the Sixth Nether Edge Festival. Then everything changed. We were zooming from our homes and facing the first and toughest decision – whether to go ahead with the Festival. We postponed the decision for a little to see how things developed, and in the end we decided that people would be ready for some kind of community celebration by September – but that whatever was planned must have safety as its first consideration.

So, we are going ahead in September with what we're calling a 'pop-up' festival, recognising it's somewhat slimmed down from the first five and will be largely open-air. Let's hope the weather gods are in a loving mood.

As has become a tradition, this September issue is a celebration of what we hope for in the coming (pop-up) Festival, albeit mixed with a dash of nostalgia for the events that have become fixtures in the Festival calendar, but will not be possible this year – the Carnival at Common Ground, the Young Artists Competition, the Community Art and Craft Fare and the like. They will be back with us for the 7th Festival. This year we have innovations in the form of live-stream concerts (did you know that our Nether Edge Festival has more live-streamed concerts than the Edinburgh Festival?!) and the Scarecrow Trail which we invite you to join in. Let's show solidarity with our neighbourhood in these times.

Our grateful thanks to all who have given their time, enthusiasm and skills so freely to the planning and, in due course, the reality of the pop-up Festival. Our thanks, too, for the support of the Nether Edge Neighbourhood Group and kind sponsorships from Steve Ojari and Rachel Watchorn.

This month's editors, and co-chairs of the Nether Edge (pop-up) Festival:

Richard Taylor and Mark Doel

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You will be aware that we have not been able to produce printed copies of EDGE since the start of the Covid-19 lockdown, though electronic (pdf) copies have been distributed and put on the website. I apologise to regular recipients of paper copies of EDGE who have not received anything, but if you would like to receive back copies of pdf copies of EDGE, please email me.

For September (and with thanks to the editors), a paper edition has been produced that has been delivered to regular pre-Covid recipients. As this is the "pop up" Festival edition, we are also circulating it as far and wide as we can through email and on the NENG website. Some of you will no doubt receive EDGE in both printed and pdf formats.

From October, we will revert to delivering copies to existing subscribers, either by paper or pdf copy as you have requested. If you would like to change from paper to pdf copy, bearing in mind the cost and related environmental issues regarding paper copies, and also the possibility of a local lock down that might prevent production of a paper copy, then please let me know.

Regarding subscriptions, income from these are at about half of the normal level. Remember that subscriptions are not just payments to receive EDGE, but they also help NENG to fund activities that benefit the community in Nether Edge. Recent examples are grants to Shipshape for their foodbank, to Family Voices to help support needy children, to Love our Streets for street

signs and to Nether Edge Primary School for playground equipment. Traditionally many people have paid their subscriptions in cash to the local EDGE distributor. In current circumstances this is no longer feasible, so the available means of payment are by:

- bank transfer or standing order using the bank details on page 2
- a cheque made out to NENG posted to me or dropped through my letter box

Whichever means of payment you choose, please let me know your name and address so I can update the records, either by email or text or WhatsApp. If you have been receiving EDGE and are not a regular subscriber, and have enjoyed your complimentary copy, **please consider joining NENG** so you can keep up to date with what is happening in Nether Edge and also make a more general contribution to supporting the community.

The amount of subscription has remained unchanged for five years against a background of rising costs and expanding activities. The Trustees have decided that the subscription should be set at £10 for all households. The increase will apply from October, so the £8 and £5 concession subscription fee will still apply during September.

Ken Lambert

*NENG Chair and Membership Secretary
(contact details on Page 2)*





EMILY & The SIMONS

Nether Edge Festival
in association with

Studio 3 at the Laundry Rooms
presents

5pm
Sunday 13th September
2020
live-streamed concert

EMILY & THE SIMONS

Anglo-Belgian Balfolk Trio



Emily Bowden
fiddle

Simon Dumpleton
piano accordion

Simon Laffineur
guitar

Emily & The Simons met in England's Peak District, at the folk festival "Skint". Soon after, they began to perform together professionally, regularly touring in the UK and Europe. Their music is centred around Emily's compositions, drawing inspiration from life's encounters and the energy of the dance-floor.

Highly expressive and with an improvisatory style, theirs is a performance full of passion, tenderness and playfulness. Drawing on a wide repertoire ranging from exquisite, sensual mazurkas to joyful, driving bourrées, the music transports the imagination, stirs the feet and uplifts the spirit.

This concert will feature recent compositions and tracks from Emily & The Simons' debut album, "Firelight".

Live-stream details to be announced soon.

www.emilyandthesimons.com
www.emilyandthesimons.bandcamp.com



KAORU BINGHAM

This year's Nether Edge Festival will feature a 'double first' – the festival's first classical music recital and, because of Covid-19 restrictions, the first to be available only online! Sheffield-based concert pianist Kaoru Bingham was due to play at the festival but the pandemic looked as though it would make this impossible. However, organisers came up with the idea of filming Kaoru playing behind closed doors at St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church and the recital then being made available online. 'I've made audio recordings for my CDs in the past', says Kaoru, 'but this will be a first for me too. I haven't been able to play in public this year so it will be really nice to do so again.'

Kaoru came to England from her native Japan when she was eighteen to study piano at Trinity College, London. She went on to teach at Trinity and to give recitals in this country and internationally. She settled in Sheffield after marrying John Bingham, the internationally celebrated pianist who was born in the city. After John's death in 2004, she remained here to bring up their only son and has resumed her professional career.

For the Festival recital, Kaoru will play Bach's Partita No 1 in B flat Major, Mozart's Piano Sonata K457 in C Minor and Debussy's 'Images' Book 1. It will be available to listen to (and watch) on Saturday, September 19th at 19.30 via the Nether Edge Festival Facebook page or SAPLC YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVkuPspPrLSekpl2m1ZT2Q>

Kaoru won't receive any fee so organisers hope that viewers will consider making a donation online.



YOU'LL BE MISSED

Nether Edge Festival is usually opened by the Lord Mayor with celebrations at Common Ground. This event won't be happening this year because of Covid-19 restrictions. Something to look forward to in 2021.

Festival Trails

Scarecrow trail

As part of this year's Nether Edge (pop-up) Festival, we are planning a Scarecrow Trail. It isn't competitive, it's just for fun. The idea is that you make a scarecrow and display it where people can see it. Then, if you let us know, we'll put together a route, so that people can follow the scarecrows around Nether Edge and admire them.

As it's the first time we've done anything like this, we're not going to tie you down to a theme, but anything that raises a smile would be good. We chose this idea because making the scarecrow is something you can do whilst locked down, and you'll be able to follow the trail whilst still observing social distancing. The whole family can join in, and you can make more than one if you've got the space and the energy.

If you would like to take part, please let me know as soon as possible and certainly **before Saturday 5th September**, so that we can work out a route in time for the Festival that starts on 12th September. I will need your name, address, contact details and a name or slogan for your scarecrow. You can contact me, Jack Massey, on 0114 2551367, 07710 277976 or priorymount@blueyonder.co.uk.



Art and Gardens Trail

Would you like to see how the Nether Edge Art Group coped with the lockdown?

From February the group met virtually every week and explored the inside world we were all faced with. You will see all kinds of art including portraits canvases, sketches and sculptures.

There are four venues and we request that you keep socially distanced and bear with the members who have kindly opened their gardens. There will also be a chance to see the new garden venture in Kenwood Hall grounds. So, come join us on **Saturday 19th September** from 11 until 3:

20, Chelsea Road; 11 Ryle Road; 16 Cherry Tree Drive; Kenwood Growers (at the market garden in Kenwood Hall).

contact: richardtaylor635@icloud.com

Please note - we can only allow up to six people in each garden at one time. Refreshments may be available and any donations will go to Nether Edge Neighbourhood Group (NENG), a registered charity.



Nether Edge Yard Sale trail

The Nether Edge yard sale trail will be going ahead on **Sunday 13th September** between the hours of 12 and 4. Please look out for Facebook updates via the yard sale trail's page or alternatively, refer to our website <https://www.yardsaletrail.co.uk/>. if you would like to book a pitch, please pay via PayPal and you will be added to the map. Last year we managed to achieve 70 stalls which was the biggest trail so far. We will also be producing Covid guidelines and these will be published on the website.

A message from the local police

Hello, residents of Nether Edge. I am Temporary Inspector Louise Kent covering the South West Neighbourhood Policing Team in Inspector Fitzgibbon's absence and I am delighted to have this opportunity to introduce myself to you.

Since taking up this role my priorities have been getting to know the team, our partners and the needs of our communities. This has involved video calls and distanced meetings as opposed to the preferred physical introductory handshake.

With over 15 years frontline policing experience I have more recently worked towards a role in Neighbourhoods. This type of policing is something I feel passionately about and gives me a real sense of pride in making such a difference to peoples lives.

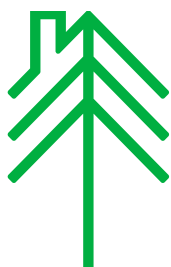
My Nether Edge and Sharrow team of officers is led by Sergeant Dan Wilson. The team are committed to disrupting crime and reducing anti-social behaviour in your neighbourhood. They are able to do their jobs effectively based on the information given by yourselves in the community. So if you see our officers out and about please say hello and have a chat, the smallest bit of information may fit into a much larger jigsaw and enable us to take action on the things that matter to you.

You can see some examples of the teams fantastic work on our social media pages and by signing up to SYP Alerts to receive updates via email or text:

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Kenwood Community Growers

Readers of EDGE will know that Kenwood Community Growers have been creating a community garden in the grounds of Kenwood Hall Hotel. Wanting to change things for the better in the midst of the current health and climate emergency, members of Nether Edge and Sharrow communities decided to take action to support and protect their green spaces and grow food sustainably, providing opportunities to improve the well-being of local residents. With the help of our Green councillor Alison Teal, and gardener and tutor Fran Halsall, Kenwood Community Growers was established.



In just a few short weeks during lockdown the group has utterly transformed the derelict and overgrown former kitchen garden into a productive community allotment. We raise both edible plants and plants to support wildlife in our greenhouse, and we give surplus plants back to the community or use them to re-wild patches of land and extend the work that we do. Everyone has given their time voluntarily and the bonus is that, apart from growing delicious food,

we've developed our veg-growing skills through opportunities to partner with more experienced growers or share experience and tips while working together. We've been bowled over by local people's goodwill – from practical help with fixing guttering and building growing cages, to donations of fencing materials and plants, and pure hard graft to clear rubble, bramble and bindweed.

Now our garden is flourishing and we regularly donate our gorgeous greens to Sharrow Community Kitchen. We're already planning the next phase, and we'd like to get more people involved, and create new green spaces in the neighbourhood so we can support more wildlife and grow more veg. Come and visit us on the Open Gardens trail on 19th September and if you'd like to help, or if you have ideas to develop a green space in your community, why not get in touch? Everyone is welcome!

Contact – Alison Teal 07429347826

Sharon Watson

Most dangerous plant

This Spring we watched the rapid growth of an interesting looking plant in our garden that we knew we had not planted. As it developed leaves, we tried to identify it on a plant app and on our lock-down walks around the Botanical Gardens, but without success. By the time it had reached two metres high, flowers had begun to form and it resembled cow parsley. It was then we identified it as giant hogweed,



a non-native invasive plant that has been dubbed 'the UK's most dangerous plant'. If touched it can cause severe burning of the skin and permanent scarring. It should be

carefully removed before it sets seeds and spreads.

If you find it growing in your garden it's recommended that you report it via the Plant tracker website or app. In Sheffield cases have so far only been reported in Nether Edge and Sharrow. For further information, google 'giant hogweed'.

Peter Vaughan

Most dangerous veg?

Rogue courgette seeds are reported to be behind several cases of illness in England. This year many of us have grown more vegetables, so beware when you are slicing them for cooking. There can be a bitter taste or smell when handling.



We had a courgette that looked looked beautiful but when cooked it tasted really bitter. It was so bad that it wrecked the whole meal. The really dangerous problem is when it's disguised in a stew.

The result for us was a night up and down to the loo and feeling terrible the next few days.

The cause is a compound called Cucurbitacin E, which is fine in small doses but when large amounts enter the seed the problem begins.

Mr Fothergill and Unwins have recalled the seed, but there may be some plants still out there in Nether Edge, so my advice is to stay clear.

Richard Taylor

pop-up

Nether Edge Festival

Each year the **Nether Edge Festival** has been celebrating our neighbourhood and all the people who live here. A full-scale Festival isn't possible with current concerns, but a 'pop-up' variety is planned – less events but just as much enthusiasm!

Please note that all Events are subject to change according to the regulations concerning social distancing at the time of the Festival. For current information please check social media and our website, netheredgefestival – or the event organiser.

Asian Cookery Class

We provide all you need to make an authentic delicious Pakistani meal - a dahl and / or a curry - including a video by a local mum, to follow as you are cooking. Book any time on WhatsApp on 07951510366. Recipe packs can be picked up or delivered.

Gentle Walk for Women

Friday 18th Sept- meet on Woodstock Road, at Common Ground gates, 1pm. A socially distanced walk to Chelsea Park - for women who haven't been out much but want to start moving more! Organised by Family Voice email for more info: familyvoicesheffield@gmail.com free event

General events

Art, Poetry and Photography

Competitions (digital)

Theme: **Strange Times in Nether Edge**
entries to:
netheredgefestival@gmail.com

Asian Cooking Class

Book any time on 07951510366

Café#9 pop-up events

Look out on social media for events at Café#9

Scarecrow Trail

Follow the Nether Edge Scarecrow Trail (self-guided).

To be included on the trail map, contact:
priorymount@blueyonder.co.uk

Spectrum Theatre

In Someone Else's Shoes
an online screening of a past Spectrum Theatre event: look for details on the Festival website, @netheredgefestival.

Yoga

Visit www.yoganaturesheffield.org.uk for information about online classes and pop-up Festival deals.

Saturday 12th September

4-5:30 WWII Concert

contact:
richardtaylor635@icloud.com

Sunday 13th September

12-4:00 Farmers Market

12-4:00 Nether Edge Yard Trail
visit: www.yardsaletrail.co.uk and Facebook. Free event

5:00 Emily & The Simons
live-streamed concert of Anglo-Belgian Balfolk trio.
Festival Facebook page. Donations.

Sat 12, Sun 13, Fri 18, Sat 19, Sun 20 September

Picnic Party in the Park

Come and enjoy your picnic in Chelsea Park - includes grass sledges, dog show, animals!

* Many more Volunteers (and Musicians) are needed to help with this event - please contact chrisvenables@blueyonder.co.uk or maggielit@sky.com

Open Gardens Artwork

As well as the Scarecrow Trail and the Yard Sale Trail, follow the Open Gardens Artwork trail. Visit three gardens at 20, Chelsea Road; 11 Ryle Road and 16 Cherry Tree Drive, and the Kitchen Garden at Kenwood Hall and see how the Nether Edge art group coped during Lockdown.

Festival concerts

Kauru Bingham

(Award-winning classical pianist playing Bach, Mozart, Debussy)

Emily and The Simons

Festival competitions

painting, poetry, photography:
[@netheredgefestival](https://www.instagram.com/netheredgefestival)

Spectrum Theatre

In Someone Else's Shoes

Kenwood Park Hotel Grounds

World War II concert
Kitchen Garden Open Day
Guided Nature Walk

Friday 18th September

Guided nature walk in Kenwood Grounds

with Jim Clark; details tba*

*check Oxfam window and social media for details

1:00 Gentle Walk for Women

meet at Common Ground gates (Woodstock Road)

familyvoicesheffield@gmail.com

Saturday 19th September

11-3:00 Open Gardens Artwork

richardtaylor635@icloud.com

11-3:00 Kitchen Garden Open Day

Kenwood Hall grounds

3:30-5 World War II Walk

Guided small group walks (6 max)

richardtaylor635@icloud.com

7:30 Kauru Bingham concert

Festival Facebook page. Donations.

Sunday 20th September

1-4:00 Picnic Party in the Park

bring your picnic and join in the (safe and socially distanced) fun in Chelsea Park includes Grass Sledges, Dog Show and more

*please note the need for more Volunteers for this event to go ahead, visit the Festival website and see contact details in the yellow Bubble at top.

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Festival Competitions

Do you think that you can **paint** an image of Nether Edge in these strange times?

Can you write a short **poem** about it?

Or send a **photograph** of how different things look?

It may be a street-scene, a pub, a café, a park, a building, an interior - even a person.

Sign up to our challenge and win a voucher to spend in Nether Edge's local shops.

All entries this year will be digital and voting will take place on-line.

CONTACT DETAILS:

Please send your Name, Address and Email to
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Details about voting can be found on the Festival website.

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Festival Competitions

Last year's Painting competition winners

Kingfisher by Wilf, under-16 winner

Fox asleep by Michelle, adult winner

Fox on bowling green by Phyl, adult runner-up



SPRATANSWERS

Answers to
Sprat's
Crossword
(see page 14)

You'll Be Missed

The Arts and Crafts Fair at St Andrews Psalter Lane is a popular fixture in the Festival. We'll look forward to its return in 2021.



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I think I always wanted to be an artist. After art college I became a freelance illustrator, but continued to sketch just for fun and was invited to join Urban Sketchers, a non-profit group who encourage on-site drawing and connect sketchers from around the world. Members share sketches online, as inspiration to others, and 'sketchcrawl' together, which involves wandering as a group from place to place, drawing whatever takes your fancy. There's no teaching: it's about empowerment and mutual support. I founded Sheffield Sketchcrawl, who met once a month. We grew into Urban Sketchers Yorkshire and people joined us from as far afield as Hull, Calderdale and Birmingham!

In 2015 I was invited to work as a Sketcher-in-Residence and a Leverhulme Trust award funded a year-long collaboration with the Morgan Centre for Research into Everyday Lives. I shadowed their work, sketching everything in 2-metre-long, concertina sketchbooks. I recorded research interviews, student lectures, staff meetings ... I even covered a lecturers' strike. I loved it.

That year changed everything. I was included in funding bids at other universities and, as a result of sketching the strike, I was asked to record the University and College Union annual conference. I did an architecture project, spending one day on a huge building site, then another with architects. This year, I've been recording Cystic Fibrosis research, sketching CF patient interviews, investigating how hospital buildings impact on infection. I've just finished a project on Dementia, painting sufferers and carers in their gardens, working via Zoom. It's extremely challenging - I've got very good at speed-sketching!

My most exciting project was two extraordinary months at the University of Western Australia, looking at what makes our individual work experience fulfilling or stressful and increasing productivity through workers' well-being. I went out with researchers, sketching interviews with workers in call centres, hospitals, offices and schools, but also sheep shearers, ore miners, beauty salons, surgeons, dancers, charity workers. It was a privilege to be given such insight into so many peoples' lives.

I enjoy this work so much that I gave up illustrating children's books, created a new website and rebranded myself as a *reportage-sketcher*. I love the variety, the challenge, the sociability and the excitement of working alongside clever people. It might be the best job in the world.

If any of this has whet your appetite to discover more about urban sketching, or to see more of the paintings from my reportage projects, why not come along to my illustrated festival talk, where I'll take you on a sketchbook journey around the world! (Details to be announced). And if you feel at all inspired to try sketching yourself, I'll be sharing all my top tips about techniques, plus I'll bring along lots of original artwork for you to look at.

Lynne Chapman



Western Australia residency: hand surgeon



Cystic Fibrosis residency: hospital waiting



Western Australia residency: sheep shearer



Morgan Centre residency: open-plan research area

Lockdown living ... in Kolkata

When your world is confined to your own home and, if you're fortunate, a strip of garden, it's difficult to take your thoughts beyond the front doorstep. In April and May, when we were all in full lockdown, and the news consisted of daily death counts, I was reminded every morning of a world away from here ... a world in the warrens and alleyways of north Kolkata (Calcutta).

A chance meeting with Tarun and Sagarika Banarji in Kolkata, has led me to visit and stay with them regularly, the most recent was just before everything kicked off. They call themselves social workers, but I



am humbled if I try to compare what was my social work (I'm retired now) and their social and political activism.

They live and work in their community, day and night, open door. They've developed a whole raft of social programmes, dance, art, music, blood donation, with young and old, recruiting many volunteers to join their community organisation, *Bharat Bhavna*. They've

organised rakhi (hand-tying) where hindu and moslem wrists are bound together in a strong symbol of friendship and solidarity. They've stood



alongside tribal people in a neighbouring state fighting for their homeland in the face of global capital stripping away livelihoods and habitats to mine bauxite. In short they are living the idealised social work I would have if I had had more courage.

So, most mornings during lockdown, before going down for breakfast I wake up to a WhatsApp from

Brother or Sister, with photos and Bengali-accented text. Perhaps it's images from the Hope Kitchen they started at the beginning of lockdown and feeds 200 stranded migrant workers every day.

What images can I send in return from my quiet, well-kept garden and laden breakfast table? I return their pictures of flowers and send



support, in the form of encouragement and donations – I know and see where every rupee goes.

Most of all I itch to join them again. Of course, a week's living and working in a Bengali estate is easy knowing I have material comforts back home, but I



wonder whether Brother and Sister are aware of the richness of their lives. Actually, I think they are: the solidarity of their community, the ability to truly make a massive

and direct difference to so many people's lives, the busyness of life on the street, ever-open doorways and hospitality. To a Kolkattan, a life of 'social distance' is a life not lived.

Brother and Sister organise festivals (sounds familiar?) and art competitions in mass gatherings in the streets (pre-Covid), and winning pictures are hung in alleyways. Last year we were proud to exhibit young people's work from Kolkata in our Nether Edge Festival's Young Persons' art competition.

From their continuing WhatsApps, I'm getting very knowledgeable about Bengali festivals. They have them many more times than once a year!

Mark Doel



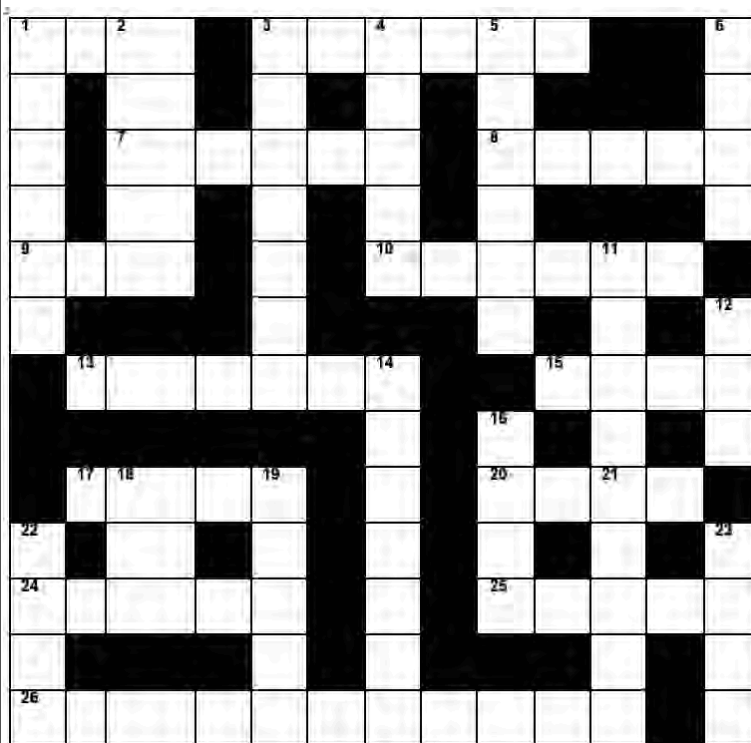
YOU'LL BE MISSED

The Young Persons' Art Competition has been a mainstay of the Nether Edge Festival. As you read on this page, last year there were guest entries from young artists in Kolkata. It'll be back in 2021!



In addition to all their work to support and feed the community in lockdown, Bharat Bhavna also organised to help survivors of the super-cyclone Ampham that struck Kolkata and Sundarban in late May.

SPRAT'S 118th CROSSWORD



The birding world is going mad, thanks to the appearance of this Bearded vulture in Derbyshire. In honour of this, I thought I'd do a crossword where most of the answers are birds. I've tried not to make the clues too difficult. Talking of Bearded vultures, they are famous for dropping bones from a great height onto rocky ground, in order to break them open to get at the marrow. It is said that the Greek playwright, Aeschylus was killed, when a Bearded vulture mistook his bald head for a rock, and dropped a tortoise on it!

Across

1. French hen (au vin?) (3)
3. The whistling duck (Its Linnaean name is *Anas Penelope*) (6)
7. Violent, confrontational behaviour (5)
8. Meadow, Rock, Tree or Tawny (5)
9. Tawny, Barn or Short-eared (3)
10. Power (measured in Watts) (6)
13. Large wading bird, with long down-curved beak (6)
15. Extremely small amount (4)
17. Small cormorant (4)
20. Elegant water bird, owned by the Queen (4)
24. Golden, Booted or Imperial (5)
25. St Cuthbert's duck (Forerunner of the duvet?) (5)
26. Bearded vulture (11)

Down

1. Large New World vulture (6)
2. Small game bird (Its call is sometimes given as "Wet-my-lips") (5)
3. Yellow, Grey or Pied (7)
4. Pink-footed, Greylag or Canada (5)
5. Fish hawk (6)
6. Red or Black (4)
11. Saw-billed duck (9)
12. Colourful member of the Crow family (3)
13. Crested pink winter visitor (7)
15. North American venomous snake (7)
16. Small island (4)
18. Pig (3)
19. Little, Slavonian or Great crested (5)
22. Small duck or local councillor (4)
23. Small bird, forever associated with farthings (4)

ANSWERS on page 11

YOU'LL BE MISSED

Oh for the days you could dance round a Maypole and take a cream tea in the Bowling Club ...

The traditional closing event of the Festival, the Party in the Park, has been transformed into a bring-your-own Picnic in the Park. There'll still be lots of fun and entertainment within social distancing guidelines (but no Maypole until next year!)





Bannerdale Osteopaths

We wanted to say a massive thank you to all our loyal patients for making our first months back in clinic so positive while we adjust to the new safety procedures.

We have loved getting back to what we do best and can't wait to see more of you over the coming months.

All our clinical staff have undertaken training by World Health Organisation on Hand Hygiene, Infection Prevention Control for Covid-19, How to Put on and Remove Personal Protective Equipment and Waste Management and we have implemented new policies to ensure Bannerdale Osteopaths is a safe clinical environment.

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