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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're happy to announce that the Nether Edge Festival is back in full swing. You'll remember that last year we had a smaller 'pop-up' Festival that reflected the need to stay outdoors, socially distanced. While still being vigilant, for this 7th Festival we are close to a full-scale programme, with nearly 40 Events.

Once again, we will have the opportunity to celebrate the diverse talents in our community and the joy of living in Nether Edge.

We are grateful to all the members of the Festival Planning Group for their generous gift of time and energy, and we have been happy to welcome new members to the group, too. There is a wide variety of activities associated with organising and delivering the Festival: supporting existing Events and finding and encouraging new ones; bringing Events and Venues together; helping to source funding and resources for Events when needed; organising a raffle and prizes; programming the nine days of the Festival; designing, publishing and distributing the Festival Programme and generating on-line publicity; writing for the EDGE Festival edition; and, of course, much volunteer activity during the Festival itself to make each Event a successful experience for everyone.

If you would like to participate in next year's Festival, either as a member of the Planning Group, a volunteer for Festival activities, or you have an idea about an Event that you would like to explore, do come and meet us at the Nether Edge Bowling Club on Thursday 16th September, 7-8pm, where you can meet members of the Festival Planning Group and share your ideas.

In addition to the Planning Group, thanks are due to everyone who is offering a Festival Event and a Venue: see the centre pages for a geographic overview of the wide involvement of the Nether Edge community in hosting the Festival. Sincere thanks, too, to sponsorships from Steve Ojari and Rosalind Watchorn and to the local traders who offer prizes for the raffle which supports next year's Festival. Last and not least, our thanks for the continuing support and encouragement of the Nether Edge Neighbourhood Group (NENG).

This month's editors, and co-chairs of the Nether Edge Festival are
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Famous writer reminded of poignant memories of Nether Edge

Many people are aware, some perhaps not, that the literary sisters Margaret Drabble and A.S. Byatt spent much of their early years in Nether Edge in a house on Meadow Bank Avenue.

Recently, Margaret Drabble has been in touch with the Nether Edge History Group saying how much she enjoyed the Group's recent book, *Nether Edge in the Second World War*. People new to the area may not know that Nether Edge suffered considerably in the war, especially on the night of December 12th 1941 when it was heavily bombed.

The book contains a number of observations and comments by the sisters of their wartime experiences in Nether Edge, taken from material in the public domain. An account of their father's service in the RAF also appears.

All this clearly triggered childhood memories for Ms Drabble who writes of her 'love of the Green' and

her recollection of 'every inch of Edge Bank', adding that the book brought back 'many memories of streets I knew so well'.

She also generously writes that 'the book is well produced' and that she 'looks forward to showing it to the family'. This presumably includes her son Joe Swift, the TV gardener.

Nether Edge retains a place in her heart and she expresses a hope that, if her family circumstances allow, she might still visit and take up our offer of a guided WW2 walk round the area.

Copies of the book (£10), are available from Wickwire or direct from the History Group.

For those who are interested in the story of the Drabble family in Nether Edge there is also an article on this in *Nether Edge: People and Places*, available from the same sources (£10).

John Austin



FESTIVAL TRAILS

Monster Trail

Last year's Scarecrow Trail was a great success, with more than 30 displaying Nether Edge inventiveness.



This year you are invited to take part in a Monster Trail. This cheeky chappy was made by Meera (5), Shreya (9), Mum (older) and Grandad (older still). It's on display in the Oxfam window.

Meera had just got a book called *Don't Call Me Sweet* about a monster that wanted to be scary but kept getting called sweet – and we used it as a model.

"The aim was for only things that were to hand to be used – the straw from last year's Scarecrow came in very handy – but in the end we succumbed to an internet purchase for the turquoise fur!"

A Monster in the making - but which one?!



To be included in the Trail map send your details to Jack by 6th September.

Details on the back page.

Monster Fun Run on page 5

I-SPY trail

Nether Edge is an area with a lot of interesting things to see. But do you know where to find them? Where can you see a black post box? A bell on top of a building? A wooden dragon?

Our I-Spy quiz has 30 pictures and a map with 30 numbers. It's divided into three areas so you can do one section at a time. All you have to do is find the things in the pictures, match them with numbers and complete the quiz.

No prizes, just good fun and find out all sorts of things about Nether Edge you didn't know before.

Collect your I-SPY quiz from local shops including *The Studio*, *Wickwire* and others.

Answers will be published in the October issue of *EDGE* and online at the beginning of October.

Thanks to John Scholey for the wonderful photographs!



Nether Edge Yard Sale trail



The Nether Edge Yard Sale goes ahead on Sunday 12th September 11am - 4pm. Pitch cost is £8. Visit: www.yardsaletrail.co.uk to be a 'dot' on the trail map! Then on 12th Sept. bring out yer jumble & sell it from your own yard. It's the ultimate re-cycled shopping experience!



Arts and Gardens trail on page 10

THE WOOD IN THE WOOD



During the Nether Edge Festival, amid the flurry of events, you may want to take a quiet stroll in Brincliffe Edge Wood.

There, attached to trees and fences, you will find photographs that celebrate the activities of the Wood Group and its team of volunteers over the seven years that we have been together.

The Wood is owned by Sheffield City Council and we manage it under the direction of their excellent and knowledgeable Rangers. Keeping the place litter-free, dealing with fly tipping and maintaining paths and steps are the key objectives but we also try to plant appropriate woodland specimens and enhance the biodiversity of the Wood. Tools donated to us by NENG help us to keep this all functioning.

We have, of course, struggled under Covid to keep our programme going, but our thanks go out to local people who value the peace and well-being that the Wood always offers and who have cleared up litter and reported problems that are quickly dealt with.

"The Wood In The Wood" shows our precious green space in all the seasons and volunteers working to keep the Wood an attractive and vital oasis.

Ken Phillip, phillipk@vip.solis.co.uk



If you go down to the woods ...

... MONSTER Fun Run

Sunday 19th September at 10:55am

Starting at the top entrance of Chelsea Park

As a prelude to *Picnic in the Park* there will be a sponsored *Monster Fun Run* in aid of **Chelsea Park Playground Development**.

The course will be approximately 1200 metres and suitable for families and children from 2 to 12 years.

All families are invited to take part and dress in theme: there will be prizes for the **best dressed Monsters** and each family will receive a certificate.

Please arrive for the **beastly briefing** at 10:55. Entry fee: £5 per family payable on the day. Entries will be allowed on the day, but registration is preferred:

richardtaylor635@hotmail.com

We hope as many little fiends as possible will collect sponsorship. A form is downloadable via the Festival website so please help raise as much as we can.

Everybody will be a Winner!



Calling all Children

There will be Monsters appearing in the Park in the Festival week so keep your eyes open – can you be the first to spot one of them?

You may even want to make a Monster yourself to keep the others company when it goes dark ...

Talking Gigs

Wednesday 15th September, 7:30
St Andrews Psalter Lane church

The **Talking Gigs** format has been delighting Sheffield audiences since 2014. Mixing interview with live performance, Talking Gigs aims to achieve the perfect balance between enjoying the music, discovering more about its origins and offering insights into the life, work and culture of the artists. The first half comprises conversation with musical performance, the second half all music.

Talking Gigs presents an amazingly talented group of local Sheffield musicians. At their core, **Mishra**, are **Kate Griffin** and **Ford Collier** whose combined talents have already brought them music awards. Beyond the duo the Mishra collective enables expansion to include multi-talented musicians to provide a magical blend of UK folk, Americana and Indian influences. The resulting fusion is a joy to behold and their first album **The Loft Tapes** won critical acclaim and a feature in **Songlines** magazine; “..an airborne amalgam of cross continental pollinations.”

Their second album **Reclaim** is due out in October and pre-release copies will be available at the gig. Their **Loft Tapes** quartet has now expanded to include a new fifth member. **Mishra** have augmented their unique sound with the



addition of **Alex Lyons**. She plays clarinet, bass clarinet and joins Kate on vocals.

The Nether Edge Festival gig will be the first time the quintet have performed in public. It will also be an exclusive preview of their forthcoming tour starting in October. The performance will be in the evocative and acoustically wonderful space of St. Andrew's Psalter Lane Church. This promises to be a very special gig.

Tickets £10, available from www.talkinggigs.co.uk



Folk Night in the Cemetery

Saturday 18th September, 7:30.


In a first for the Festival, and in place of the usual very successful Ceilidh, we're putting on a varied evening of entertainment in the **Samuel Worth chapel** in the General Cemetery.

The line-up of local folk musicians will include tunes from the **North and South Band**; songs from **Daisy Chain**, **Alec Thompson**, **Martin Watson** and **Malcolm Wood**; a melodeon spot from **John Garner**; a monologue from **John Scholey**; and clog dancing.

The recently renovated Samuel Worth Chapel is a lovely venue. As it's an evening event there will be stewards from 7:10pm to point the way down from the Cemetery Road entrance. There will be some lighting but you might want to bring a torch as it could be a little spooky! Bring your own refreshments.

Tickets will be limited to allow for some social distancing and on sale at Wickwire Nether Edge Rd (cash please): £5 adult, £3 children under 12. Let the organisers know if you require disabled access.

Organiser: Jane McCallum 07528 273027

news of other Festival concerts on pp 8-9 

DINNER WITH PERCY

Dinner with Percy is a short documentary made by Sheffield-based independent film-maker Eve Wood and showing as part of the Nether Edge Festival.

Eve came to the UK from the Netherlands in 1996 where she had taken up Film Studies in Amsterdam and had worked with Dutch television. She collaborated with another local film-maker, Richard Heap, on *Made in Sheffield*, a documentary about the Sheffield indie music scene, shown at the 2001 DocFest. Another two DocFest films followed including *The Beat is The Law*.



Eve has worked with academics to present their research findings into something more widely accessible and digestible through the medium of film – a kind of translator to help give expression to their work. Her academic film making spans a wide range of subjects: shoes and identity; using art therapy to recover from birth trauma; modern slavery, and more.

Percy Royles is Eve's near neighbour and she has known him since she arrived in Sheffield. He has always been a fascinating story-teller and Eve's Dutch father enjoyed his company on visits to Sheffield, especially their mutual stories of the Second World War. When Percy celebrated his centenary, Eve decided to make a short film, documenting part of his daily routine – making a meal for himself while reminiscing about his life. The film shows Percy's strong independence and challenges stereotypes of older people, also reminding us that old people were once young.

The film, *Dinner with Percy*, is one of three that will be shown as part of September's Nether Edge Festival, alongside a pie and peas dinner at the Nether Edge Bowling Club. It will be a chance to meet Eve and the other two film-makers - Sally Canello (*Fargate*), and Clare Langford (*Mr Wong's Lullaby*) to discuss their film-making. We had hoped Percy could be there in person, but we may have to make contact via a video link.

Eve's principle interest is in telling people's stories, especially when these involve struggle and protest, whatever the nature of the battle. Eve likes to let events evolve rather than plan too much and the immediacy of her style is evident in *Dinner With Percy*. Most important of all, Percy himself liked it.

Dinner with Percy is at the Nether Edge Bowling Club, 8 Nether Edge Road on Sat 11th September at 5:45pm. Tickets (£10 incl. films and dinner) must be booked at: carlyhoneycombe@gmail.com or call 07841 381946 after 6pm. Please specify meat, vegetarian or vegan pie.

The Festival and the (Virtual) Fair: a match made in Nether Edge

In November 2020 I set up the virtual Nether Edge Fair to help local makers and producers connect with customers during lockdown. To my amazement it has grown to over 120 stalls and become permanent! All proceeds from the stall fees go to charity, so everyone benefits.

Now the virtual Fair has partnered with the very real Festival to offer you dozens of special Festival discounts and offers through 11-19 September!

Go to www.netheredgefair.com and the stalls offering discounts will be the first ones you see on the main page. Scroll down and select Show More every so often to see all the discounts and offers available. From food and drink, crafts and clothes, art and jewellery, experiences and commissions, charity and eco, toys, home and garden wares - lots of lovely things to give as presents or to keep for yourself. Happy shopping!

You can meet lots of Nether Edge Fair stall holders in real life at the Farmers' Market on Sunday 12 September from 12-4pm. See you there!

Jean Allen



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Nether Edge Virtual Fair (page 7)

Festival concerts

(these will be live-streamed from concerts at St Andrews Psalter Lane)

Sun 12th 7.30pm **Bal-folk duo**
Emily Bowden, Simon Dumpleton

Fri 17th 7.30pm **Kaoru Bingham**
Bach, Chopin and Schubert

BRINCLIFFE EDGE WOOD

The Wood in the Wood - a photographic stroll (page 5)

Yard Sale Trail

Sun 12th 11-4pm Follow the Yard Sale Trail through Nether Edge (page 4)

NETHER EDGE ROAD

Sun 12th 12-4pm **Farmers Market**

Café9

extended opening hours during the Festival
9am to 9pm

Sun 12th 7pm **Josh Windmiller**

Nether Edge Bowling Club

Sat 11th 5:45-8pm **Dinner with Percy** (page 7)

Tue 14th 1-5pm **Croquet and Cream Tea**

Tue 14th 7-8:30pm **Meet the Author** (page 11)

Thu 16th 11-3pm **Acrylic Paint Workshop**

Thu 16th 7-8pm **Come and Join Us** (page 3)

Fri 17th 8-9pm **Quiz**

COMMON GROUND

Machon Bank

Sat 11th **Opening Event: Inflatable Carnival** family-centred fun

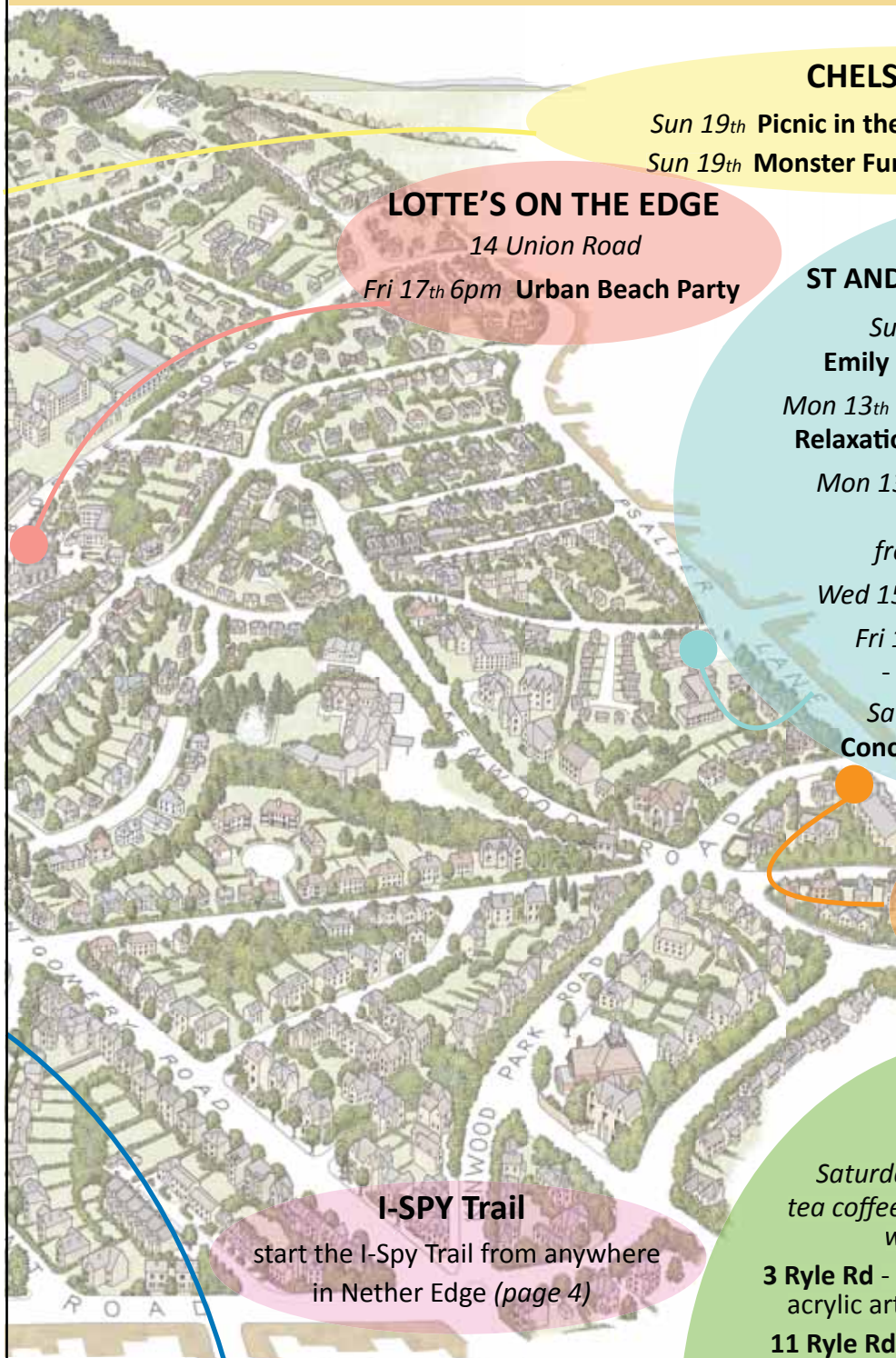
ABBEYDALE PICTURE HOUSE

387 Abbeydale Road

Sat 18th 11-3pm **Young Artists' Exhibition** (page 10)

Monster Trail

Sun 12th 12-4pm Start the Monster Trail at the Oxfam shop, where you will find Cheeky Monster in the window. The Trail will take you all over Nether Edge Contact Jack to add a Monster to the Trail (see back page)



CHELSEA PARK

Sun 19th **Picnic in the Park** 12-4pm (page 13)

Sun 19th **Monster Fun Run** 10:55am (page 5)

LOTTE'S ON THE EDGE

14 Union Road

Fri 17th 6pm **Urban Beach Party**

ST ANDREWS PSALTER LANE CHURCH

Sun 12th 7:30pm **Bal-folk duo**

Emily Bowden and Simon Dumpleton

Mon 13th 10:00 and 11.30pm **Concerteenies**
Relaxation Concert for pre-crawling babies

Mon 13th 7.30pm **Sounds of the Spirit**
vocal spiritual practices
from different faith traditions

Wed 15th 7.30pm **Talking Gigs** (page 6)

Fri 17th 7.30pm **Kaoru Bingham**
- Bach, Chopin and Schubert

Sat 18th 10.30am and 11.45am
Concerteenies Concerts for 0-7 yrs.

THE STAG'S HEAD

Mon 13th evening **Morris Dancers**

Wed 15th 7-9:30pm **Wine Tasting**
with **Starmore Boss**

Arts and Gardens Trail

Saturday 18th Sept. 11am-3pm
tea coffee and cakes in the gardens,
weather permitting

3 Ryle Rd - Lynne Chapman's textile and
acrylic artwork and John's paintings

11 Ryle Rd and **20 Chelsea Rd** - Nether
Edge Art Club members, Richard Taylor
and Howard Fry, opening their gardens
and exhibiting paintings by local artists

149 Sandford Grove Rd - the magical
art of Panni Loh

37 Steade Rd (10am-5pm) Alison
Zwaard's *Handmade in Netheredge*
Open Studio and Garden (page 10)

NETHER EDGE CLUB - 2 Moncrieffe
Road. Kenwood Frames on display -
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I-SPY Trail

start the I-Spy Trail from anywhere
in Nether Edge (page 4)

11 RYLE ROAD

Mon 13th 11-3pm **Haiku workshop**
with Mark Lawlor (page 15)

GENERAL CEMETERY

Cemetery Road, Samuel Worth Chapel

from 11th - 16th **Food and Grief Exhibition**
Sat 18th 7:30 **Folk Night Out in the Cemetery**
(page 6)

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ARTS and GARDENS TRAIL

Saturday 18th September 2021

The Arts and Gardens Trail will be back for its second year on Saturday 18th September. Along the trail you will be able to see all kinds of art from the Nether Edge Art Group, exciting work from local children and young people, and visit the studio and garden of Nether Edge artist and tutor Alison Zwaard. You can even try your hand at making your own fused glass bowl. *Also see pages 8-9 and page 13.*

Young Artists Exhibition - 11am - 3pm, Abbeydale Picture House

This year's Festival Young Artists Exhibition will be joining the Arts and Gardens Trail. Come along and see our annual exhibition of art created by children and young people from local schools. Their fabulous work includes paintings, ceramics, sculpture, mixed media art and much more.

We can also announce that the Young Artists Exhibition has a new venue for 2021. This year the exhibition will take place in the spectacular *Fly Tower* at Abbeydale Picture House. We are very excited to be able to use this unique 4-storey high space to showcase our young people's artwork. Many thanks to Abbeydale Picture House for hosting our exhibition.

We're delighted to bring EDGE readers an exclusive glimpse of some of the artwork that will be on display - here you can see ceramics from Nether Edge Primary School, paintings from Holt House Infant School, mixed media from Clifford All Saints, and art inspired by the sea from Hunters Bar Infants. The Young Artists Exhibition will showcase over 200 exhibits altogether! There will also be an art activity for our younger visitors to enjoy.



Painting (Holt House Infants)

Handmade in Netheredge Open Studio and Garden - 37 Steade Rd S7 1DS, 10am - 5pm

Alison Zwaard, who runs the *Handmade in Netheredge* creative workshops, will be opening her studio and garden to visitors on the Arts and Gardens trail. Due to the current situation, Alison has re-located her studio into her garden, which features lots of interesting sculpture and her studio has now become an intimate gallery.

Alison will be giving demos throughout the day. Visitors will be able to make their own fused glass bowl for just £10, with all profits going to St Luke's hospice.

There will also be complimentary tea, biscuits and proper coffee in the garden. There is a handy, clean, although a bit bonkers garden loo.



Mixed media (Clifford All Saints)



Sea Creatures (Hunters Bar Infants)



Ceramics (Nether Edge Primary)



MEET THE AUTHOR

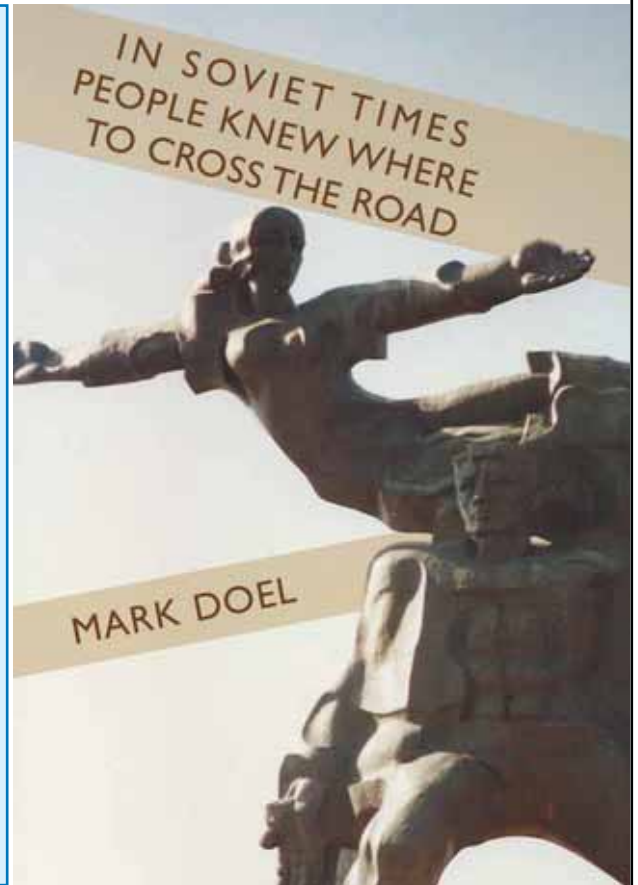
The Festival book this year has been a quarter century in the writing. It started as a collection of notes written by the author, **Mark Doel**, during a two-week working visit to Armenia in 1995. The Soviet Union had not long collapsed and Armenia, a former Soviet republic, was in a state of economic and social meltdown. The power and water supply were intermittent, jobs few and far between, and monthly pensions worthless. Into this devastation flies an Englishman, complete with a fistful of dollars and a video to be made, or so he has been told.

It seems an unlikely setting, but Mark returned to his notes regularly to write a fictionalised account of those times, and to immerse us in a group of characters who are finding their own ways of coping – ways that are comic and tragic in equal measure.

You are invited to join Richard Taylor in conversation with the author at *Nether Edge Bowling Club* on **Tuesday 14th September at 7:00pm**. £3 on door includes tea/coffee/cake.

Purchase a copy of the book for the Festival discount price of £8 (until 15th September) from *Rhyme and Reason*, 681 Ecclesall Road.

A limited number of copies will be available for sale at the event.



Green Nether Edge Calendar 2022

During the Covid lockdown many Nether Edge residents will have benefited, both physically and mentally, from taking walks around our streets, parks and woods.

We're extremely fortunate in having so many green public spaces to enjoy as well as events such as Open Gardens and the Nether Edge Festival's Party in the Park.

The **History Group** hasn't been able to hold regular meetings or talks during lockdown but we have created a calendar for 2022 to celebrate 'Green Nether Edge'. It's full of lovely images of our beautiful neighbourhood, including this one of the lake in the grounds of the Kenwood Hotel.

The calendar will be on sale at the History Group's stall at the Festival *Farmers Market* on **Sunday 12th September, 12 - 4pm, Nether Edge Road and Glen Road**.



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PICNIC IN THE PARK



12-4pm Sunday 19th September Chelsea Park

Picnic In The Park is back! The Festival's *Grand Finale* is an afternoon packed full of family fun in the outdoors. There will be lots of activities, old and new, as well as food and music.

Old favourites include the grass sledges, giant bubbles, tug-of-war and a bouncy castle.

Wild Ark Animal Encounters will have small creatures (some furry, some scaly) to handle and Sheffield Orienteers return with a mini-maze and a round-the-park course to navigate.

Cycling Without Age offer free rides along Chelsea Road in their cycle rickshaw. And there will be outdoor yoga from Yoga Nature Sheffield.

Nether Edge Art Group warn us of monsters to be found in the park, and a chance to make your own. There will be great live music to entertain you, from the Bear Blues Band and Endcliffe Brass. And tasty treats to eat, including ice cream, cake and pizza.

And the always-popular dog show is returning. We are very excited that Nick Banks from Pulp and his wife Sarah will be the guest judges!

There'll be awards for Handsomest Boy, Cutest Bitch, Best Rescue dog, Best Puppy, Best-behaved, Scruffiest and Best In Show. Who'll be top dog of Chelsea Park in 2021? Bring your doggos if you'd like to take part!

Entry and many of the activities are free, but there may be a small charge for some of the activities, including an entry fee for the Dog Show.

Can you help?

Picnic In The Park relies on many volunteers. This year we will need you even more. If you can help by volunteering for just an hour that would be a great help. We need first aiders, and there are many other opportunities to volunteer – tidying the park beforehand and clearing after, putting up gazebos, staffing the gates and information tent, giving out leaflets, assisting with games and blowing giant bubbles!

This has been a difficult year so we are very keen to have the party as usual, but we can't do it without help! If you are able to assist, please get in touch:

maggielit@sky.com vickylouisephillips@gmail.com

Thank you.

THE KENWOOD FRAMES



Sandra Thomas from the Kenwood Growers contacted the Nether Edge Art Group about 24 picture frames that had been donated by the Kenwood Hotel to the Growers to enable them to raise revenue for the development of their project.

The frames are impressively sized and most of them are gold coloured. They were purchased by previous owners of the hotel and decorated with prints of Derbyshire and hung in various parts of the hotel. Does anybody know their origin? (*contact: richardtaylor635@hotmail.com*)

The good news is that the frames are now in the hands of 24 local artists and photographers who have been asked to restore the frames to their former glory, as they had become slightly unloved, then to paint an image or photograph of something 'Nether Edge' – in any style.

The finished results will be on display during the Festival at *Nether Edge Club, Moncrieffe Rd*. Viewing times: 9am to 3pm on Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th September; and 12 to 3pm on Saturday 18th (as part of the Art and Garden Trail) and Sunday 19th. Please come along and have a look at the outstanding results.

The pictures will then be on show in local shops and cafés until Sunday 17th October when they will be auctioned off. Most proceeds will go to the Friends of Chelsea Park, but as Kenwood Growers are having to leave their plot, the remainder will go to helping the Growers establish a new home in Nether Edge.

Date of the auction: Sunday 17th October at the *Kenwood Hotel*. Viewing from 12 noon onwards, with the Auction at 5 pm. Make a date in your diary and come and buy a piece of Nether Edge past and present.

NETHER EDGE FARMERS' MARKET and Festival

Sunday 12th September '21 11th to 19th September '21

12 TO 4 PM Buy Me!!!

Hot Dogs **FOOD** **SNACKS** **DRINKS**

James Pickles Unique Sheff **Shop Local!!** **Picnic in the Park 19** **CARNIVAL!** **ISF & Monster Trails**

DOG SHOW

Nether Edge Road & Glen Road, ... and more !!!
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VOLUNTEERS WELCOME FOR THE FARMERS MARKETS

We would value some slightly younger folk to help with our quarterly markets on Sundays in March, June, September and December. Yes, some of us are getting older, so setting stuff out before and after the market is less easy than it was, but more importantly it would be good to inject fresh ideas.

On market days marshals erect gazebos and tables from our store under the Bowling Club at about 9am and set out litter bins and such-like. We manage the stallholders throughout the day to ensure they are in the right positions, and we deal with the unexpected, such as cars parked where they shouldn't be, wind blowing gazebos away and occasionally, snow! Our volunteers also work the PA system and coordinate first aid/lost children throughout the day. At 4pm we pack everything away and make sure the streets are left clean and tidy. We are all done by 5.30pm and the whole thing usually runs like clockwork.



We have detailed 'to-do' lists and risk assessments to guide us at all stages and help new volunteers, so getting involved is both enjoyable and satisfying for visitors and stallholders alike. We raise lots of money for local charities. Everyone loves our market!

Planning each event includes booking entertainers, organising publicity, selecting and coordinating stallholders, allocating pitches, ensuring receipt of £40 stall fees, agreeing which charities to support and dealing with occasional bureaucracy. Each of these tasks is delegated to a specific committee member, and it would be great to have some back-up. We meet a couple of times before each market – you could join these if you wished to – we're a relaxed and friendly bunch.

If you are able to become involved you could give it a try. We are always on the look-out for new market committee members. Please contact nengfarmersmarket@gmail.com or for more info, please text me, Howard Fry, on 07798 801670. Many thanks.

WHAT'S ON September 2021

Sat 4th and Sun 5th Sept. 10.30am-5.30pm. Art in the Gardens in **Sheffield Botanical Gardens**. A great day out for all the family, arguably the largest outdoor art market in the North of England with artists, craft makers and visitors from across the UK. Adults £6 accompanied U16's free. Online ticket sales only: artinthegardens2021.co.uk

Sat 4th Sept. Winter Gardens 12-3pm and **Sheffield Central Library** 1-3pm. Classical Sheffield Pop-Ups. Music makers from around the city will bring the city centre alive with free pop-up performances from small chamber groups to large ensembles from singing choirs to brass bands. classicalsheffieldcoordinator@gmail.com
Website: classicalsheffield.org.uk

Abbeydale Miniature Railway hope to be open if restrictions permit. Railway timetables open from 1pm-5pm: **Sun 5th and Sun 19th Sept.** Tickets £1.50 per person per ride for all. Abbeydale Road South S17 3LB.

Sun 5th Sept. 1.00pm, 1.30pm and 2.00pm. **Sheffield General Cemetery Trust (SGCT)** sgct@gencem.org. Tel 0114 2683486. **History Tours.** Minimum donation of £5 to support the Trust. Meeting place for all events is The Gatehouse at the end of Cemetery Avenue off Ecclesall Road unless otherwise indicated. Meet the residents who shaped Sheffield's history from Mark Firth and Samuel Holberry to the Cole Brothers, George Bassett and more.

Thur 9th Sept. 7.00pm. Will Orchard will be performing his music at **Café#9**, combining acoustic instrumentation and electronic sounds. Tickets £11.00 from WeGotTickets.

Sat 11th - Sun 20th Sept. NETHER EDGE FESTIVAL

Over 30 Events planned for this annual local Festival. A Programme of events is available from local shops. Further information at netheredgefestival@gmail.com, richardtaylor635@icloud.com and markdoel@icloud.com

Sat 11th Sept. 11.00 am and **Sun 12th Sept** 7.00pm. **Heritage Open Days** - Edible England. From woodland foraging to factory floor, forgotten recipes to regional delicacies, we're asking our festival community to explore the past, present, and future of our culinary heritage and culture'. www.heritageopendays.org.uk/organising/edible-england for more information.

Wed 15th Sept. Doors open 7.30pm, starts 8pm-10pm. Talking Gigs presents MISHRA in concert. This quintet of award winning and multi-talented local musicians play a joyful fusion of UK folk, Americana, and Indian influences in their pre tour performance at **St Andrews's Psalter Lane Church** Tickets £10 from www.talkinggigs.co.uk.

Thur 16th Sept. 7.00-11.00pm. Mammal Hands have forged a growing reputation for their hypnotic fusion of jazz and electronica and their pulsating live performances and will be performing at the **Abbeydale Picture House**, Abbeydale Road. S7 1FS. Organiser, Flying Donkey Events.

Fri 17th Sept. 6.00pm-9.00pm **Sheffield General Cemetery** Bat Walk. Discover more about Britain's only flying mammal through a fun kid's craft session and our batty quiz trail (6.30-7.15). Afterwards listen to bats as they emerge after sunset by using bat detectors on our guided tour. More information: sgct@gencem.org.

Tue 21st Sept. 7.00pm. **Café#9** – an evening with Dave Haslam, a Resident at Freedom and Hacienda, and host of a weekly XFM show in Manchester. The evening includes a book reading and questions and answers and he will be discussing his life and career as a DJ and writer. Tickets £8.25 from WeGotTickets.

Sun 26th Sept. start 9.00am at Arundel Gate, Sheffield Half Marathon. Thousands of runners of all abilities will be taking part, raising money for numerous charities. For more information contact at info@runforall.com.

HAIKU workshop

A clear mouse moves quick out of a bag of old leaves in the gennel. Frances and I are tidying up after builders. The crouching Bengal cat has just left the exact same area where the mouse runs free. Here is the huge and tiny way of life that races about on the edge of Nether Edge.

I'm a writer and love the way Haiku can absorb the moment, turning it into something unexpected. The emphasis is on the mouse, the cat, being here. It is an 'opening' poem.

A HAIKU in English (taken from the Japanese poetic style) is a

concise way of wording the charge in nature. Seventeen syllables long with a pattern of:

five syllables
seven syllables
five syllables

The 'telegram' style of the Haiku means you have to weigh up each word carefully. Also you have to weigh up the gaps. Listen to the words as they turn in your mind, say them out loud. They must come from somewhere else, down deep or up deep. They must sound as the action sounds, *a frog, then water, 'plop'*. At the same time there must be a lightness to them. Something captures the

feeling of seeing a mouse, a tawny colour of fur. The long white whiskers of the cat.

It has a seasonal note, and a wistful tone. Haiku has a word that 'cuts' in one of its three lines. It may even cut the stream of thought.

Bashō, the Japanese poet and perhaps the best known poet of Haiku, was influenced by Zen, though Haiku is not Zen poetry.

Autumn's stale leaves rot, warmth remains of the cat here cinnamon mouse darts.

Mark Lawlor will be giving a Haiku workshop on Monday 13th September from 11am - 3pm. at 11 Ryle Road.



MONSTERS WANTED!

NETHER EDGE FESTIVAL

11th-19th
September



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