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**Marina News**



**BRENTFORD DOCK MARINA**

Where the Tidal Thames meets the Grand Union Canal



**www.brentfordmarina.co.uk**

On Saturday 27th September the Great River Race will take place on the Thames. To celebrate the event and to raise money for the RLNI, all residents are invited to a BBQ by the Marina. The chief cook will be lockkeeper Steve (in his own time)

The race will involve 300 traditional boats, from all over the world, and is the biggest event of its kind in Europe.

**Brentford Dock Residents' Association Events**

Every Tuesday Scrabble 10am – 12noon

August Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Coffee Morning 1030am £1.50

September Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Coffee Morning, 1030am £1.50

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Thursday Club 2.30pm, "The joy and horror of having a play put on" by Jeremy Kingston, Dock resident since 1988, £2.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Quiz Night in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, 8pm £7 including supper. Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Lunch 1pm £3. Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Worlds Biggest Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support 1230pm.

Please see the notice Board Outside the Office for details

Further information please contact Jennifer Corbin on 020 8568 1146

or Email [jpcorbin195@btinternet.com](mailto:jpcorbin195@btinternet.com)

All Residents Welcome!

You are also invited to a Marie Curie Coffee morning on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August at 1030am

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# Brentford Dock Newsletter

August/September 2014

**Syon Park**

A reminder that Syon Park House and Gardens will be closed for a private event from Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August to Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September, re-opening on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September.



**Health and Safety**

Please read the attached documents regarding Fire Safety and Asbestos. If you seen anything that concerns you regarding Health and Safety please contact the office.

**Heathrow Airport Limited/Nationwide Window Replacement**

The windows have been progressing and fitting has now moved into Otho Court. The Romulus Court scaffolding has started to come down and is all due to be removed by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August. It is intended that the scaffolding on Otho Court will start to come down on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August and will start to be erected on Galba Court at the same time. Nero Court will be started once Otho Court is completed which is scheduled for late September. The board of directors and the office are in constant communication with all of the contractors involved, encouraging all works to be carried out as expediently and professionally as possible, so all Dock residents suffer minimum disruption for a maximum benefit.

Nationwide Windows

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Appointments:  
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**Dock Store tel 020 8758 2997**

We have received a lot of positive feedback following the changes to the Dock Shop in recent months, with a much better range of products and keener prices - all delivered with friendly service. Can we remind you that you can now top up your mobile phone and get home deliveries from the shop to your door.

## Recycling

First an apology, in last months Newsletter we stated that Hounslow Council had agreed to move the recycling bins that are located next to Nero Court due to access problems for the removal lorries. This should have read Numa Court and NOT Nero Court. The London Borough of Hounslow have now given the 5<sup>th</sup> September as the date of the move. We will be writing to some residents asking if they can leave parking spaces free that day to facilitate the move. The council have also apologised for some of the late collections of recycling. This has been caused by the normal holiday abstraction of drivers being exacerbated by two driver resignations in the same week. This has now been remedied and the service will be back to normal. Finally you may have noticed that the compost bins have been removed from the estate. In some way they were a victim of their own success in that many residents put waste in the bins, but did not use the resulting compost. The gardening contractors could not use the compost because its poor quality could damage plants, but we're working on new recycling ideas with Hounslow and will keep you informed

## Standing Gas Charges

One Dock resident has been tenacious and done some leg work that others could benefit from if they have any gas appliances. Her Annual Gas summary from British Gas showed her bill rising from £12 to £15 last year to £103 this year, due to a hike in the standing charge. Cost comparison websites did not help because the usage was too low to register. After many phone calls and research the Docker found a company called EBICO, who do not charge a standing charge and get good results with "Which" (74%). EBICO have given an online quote of £12.98 per annum with a unit rate of 5.41 per KWH. This has now been confirmed by phone and a contract agreed!

## Brentford Dock Council Tenants' Association

BDCTA will be holding their Annual General meeting in the residents clubroom on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2014, starting at 6.30pm. All council tenants are invited, and welcome to attend.

## Events at Kew Gardens



Kew Gardens have been in contact with us regarding upcoming outdoor events that are to be held in September. They will be screening films from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup>. These events have taken place over the last few years with little or no impact for Dock residents and it is expected that this year will be the same.

## Residents' Comments / Housekeeping Issues

This is a section that we were hoping not to feature too often, but we keep getting requests from Dock Residents to remind others of some of the Dock protocols.

- This month there have been several requests, particularly at the weekend, for security to attend an address and ask the resident to stop doing DIY. Please be reminded that any work causing noise, audible outside the property, may only be done Monday to Friday (excluding Public Holidays) between the hours of 0900 and 1800.
- Noise – two requests, please be considerate when speaking on mobiles outside at night, particularly if you are sitting or standing as others do not want to hear your conversations. Motorcycles please do not start your engines until you need to move off, especially during the early hours.
- Balcony drains – the recent heavy rain caused several balconies to flood due to the drain being blocked or covered. In some cases this resulted in damage to the property below, please ensure the drains are kept clear thank you.