Syon Park



Syon Park starts it new season for Dock Residents on 1st April.

Application forms and conditions are attached to this Newsletter.

If you wish to renew your subscription please complete and return as usual, otherwise please return your fob to the Management Office and we will refund your £10 deposit.

Brentford Dock Residents' Association & Social Events (See Enclosed Listings)

Brentford Walking Group

On the 27th March the Walking Group will be visiting Tate Britain the meet will be at 10am by the bike stores at the top of the Dock Road ramp. You will take a train to Vauxhall and a short walk over the bridge and along the embankment.

All welcome.

Marie Curie Coffee Mornings: Monday 20th March & 10.30am to 12.30pm





Residents of Brentford Dock can enjoy a commitment-free trial of Hyperoptic for 6 months FREE. Cancel anytime within 6 months without penalty – No installation or set-up fees – Offer ends 28th February Quote code TRYIT6

Dock Shop: Telephone: 020 8758 2997 Opening time 8am to 10pm, 7 days a week.

PLEASE SEE SPECIAL OFFERS IN STORE AND THE NEW RANGE OF

PHONE ACCESSORIES.



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February/March 2017

Augustus Close – Resurfacing by Hounslow Highways

Hounslow Highways has written to all (22nd February) advising of resurfacing works to be carried out in March.

We have now confirmed that this letter was sent in error and these works will not be taking place.

HOWEVER, we have also learned that it is intended that Augustus Close will be resurfaced as the final part of the bridge refurbishment works.



Hounslow Highways will write concerning these future works but we can assure you that these will now be planned so as to cause the minimum disruption, with awareness of parking and access issues on the Estate.

'The Glutton'



We have recently taken delivery of a new piece of equipment on the Dock, which is called a 'Glutton'. This replaces the old, noisy, petrol powered street vacuum (the 'Billy Goat').

Residents had asked us if we could look at ways of reducing the day to day noise on the Dock and one of the major complaints was the noise from the Billy Goat.

The Glutton is electric (rechargeable) and makes hardly any noise, and is able to clean a wide range of surfaces. We are also trialling the use of rechargeable electric leaf blowers.

There may still be occasions when we need to use the old equipment but for the majority of time the noise will be significantly reduced.

Gardening Group



Work carried out last spring, following consultation with the Gardening Group – such as the Witch Hazel on the bank adjacent to Galba Court – is now establishing itself.

The Gardening Group is going to have a review meeting to consider further works in early May. We will be contacting existing members with a date once confirmed, if anyone would like to join please contact the Office; 0208568509 or email managementoffice@brentford-dock.co.uk.

The gardeners have been doing some hard pruning of some of the shrubs. This is necessary every

couple of years and although some plants look a bit bare early in the season, they do grow back more strongly and with better shape.

Pavement Parking

The 3 vehicles you can see in the photograph below are parked on the pavement in Augustus Close, they all received tickets from London Borough of Hounslow. <u>Please do not park on the pavements anywhere on the Dock</u> because if you do you risk a ticket. There is nothing that we can do in the Management Office if you receive at penalty notice that is issued by LBH.





Three days after the photos above were taken another 4 vehicles were ticketed in the same area in the early hours of the morning between 6am and 7.30am. At 9.30am the one vehicle that was still parked on the pavement was towed away by a LBH contractor.

Augustus Close Bridge - Update



Everyone should have received a letter from Hounslow Highways updating you with progress of the bridge works: the bridge will not be reopening until May 2017, largely due to additional unforeseen steel work repairs which were required.

Sections of the bridge that have been finished have now had the scaffolding removed, revealing the new paintwork (above). For more information please visit the website; www.hounslowhighways.org

House-Keeping & General Interest

- <u>Radiator Valves</u> there have been a couple of incidents of thermostatic radiator
 valves sticking causing the valve to vibrate which can be heard in several
 properties. It is good practice to turn the valves on and off a couple of times every
 few months which should stop this occurring.
- The LBH Handyperson Scheme if you are over 70 years old or a single parent with a disabled child or living with a disability or have severe heath problems which prevent you from doing the work, then you may be able to receive help from the LBH carrying out minor repair work in your home, including basic plumbing and electrical jobs. You will need to cover the cost of materials and if you are not in receipt of an income related benefit, pay £16 per hour for a maximum of 6 hours per year telephone the LBH on 0208 583 3878.
- 60+ Driver Wellbeing Richmond Council are offering help to older drivers with professionals attending to answer questions and offer advice for the older driver.
 The next meeting is at 9.45am on Thursday 16th March at Hampton Wick, Cricket Club, KT1 4AZ. For more details phone 0208 487 5131.