



# PCA Newsletter – Issue 103 April 2018

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## On your marks, get set, apply....



The PCA's discretionary grants scheme for 2018 is now ... OPEN! Since 2010, the PCA has donated over £70,000 to a wide range of local groups and charities, including local scout groups, Pitshanger Playcentre, HomeStart Ealing, Meadow House, Pitshanger Allotments, St David's Home and many more. The application form, guidance and criteria are available from Debbie Edwards: email <a href="mailto:debbie.edwards@pitshanger.org.uk">debbie.edwards@pitshanger.org.uk</a> or phone 020 8998 2414. The closing date for applications is Friday 8th June 2018.

We give support in other ways too. We continue to fund our tea club and tea party for our older residents. We've part-funded Will to Win's installation of a defibrillator in their café in Pitshanger Park (following an approach by local running clubs). We're also helping to fund the marquee for the Brentham May Day on 12th May at the Brentham Club. If you would like to discuss similar ideas with us, please email PCA@pitshanger.org.uk.

### Your PCA needs you

By now, PCA members should have received their annual renewal letters, thanks to the stalwart work of our volunteer posties. What do you get for membership? You'll be supporting a community group that runs popular events. These events raise money which is distributed to local good causes. Did we mention that £70,000 has been given out since 2010? Yes! The PCA also represents a large area of the Borough, giving it a loud voice when dealing with Ealing Council. Give us the thumbs up and renew your membership or even join. It's cheap at £7 per person or £11 per household for the year. If your form hasn't come, please email membership@pitshanger.org.uk.

And when you're filling in your form, have a think about ticking the boxes which get you more involved, say by joining our committee or events team, helping at our events or to get letters and raffle tickets out.

#### New website

We've revitalised our website so that it is easier to use and clearer to see - let us know what you think by going to www.pitshanger.org.uk and emailing us from there.

## Izzy Whizzy let's get Quizzy



The keenly contested PCA Street Wars Quiz returns on 9th June at the Brentham Club from 7.30pm. Tickets are £12.50 per person, price includes table snacks and a meal. Street Wars quiz tables take on representative street names, but we won't ask for proof of residence. For reservations, contact Tina Moonen on 020 8810 6497 or email her at tina.moonen@pitshanger.org.uk.

#### Kew Gardens — Tickets for members

We now have a new batch of 60 free Kew Gardens tickets through its "Community Pass" scheme for 2018-19. Why not apply now Spring plus Heat has arrived? For more info and tickets, email <a href="PCA@pitshanger.org.uk">PCA@pitshanger.org.uk</a>.

### May Day 2018



This year's May Day is on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May. The festivities begin with a procession around the streets of the garden suburb, led by a marching band. Taking part in the procession are the May Queen-elect, Britannia, Jack-in-the-Green, and many young girls and boys dressed in traditional May Day clothes. The procession returns to the Brentham Club for the crowning of the May Queen and a series of traditional dances round the maypole. For many children the highlight of the afternoon is their special tea after the dancing. The PCA is showing its support for the event by part-funding the tea marquee.

If you would like to volunteer to help at the May Day, please email <a href="mailto:malcolmdarvill@hotmail.com">malcolm is particularly keen to hear from people willing to do some traffic marshalling on the day.</a>

# Party in the Park $2018 - 1^{st}$ July

Don't forget - Party in the Park is happening slightly later this year, on 1st July, as England is playing Panama on 24th June. Watch out for emails about volunteering opportunities to make the day another great event. Please — anyone volunteering to help run the crafts and sports village will be given a really big hug!

## Bowling in Pitshanger Park

Pitshanger Park Bowls Club is a small and very friendly mixed club offering a range of club competitions for beginners as well as more experienced players. Friendly matches with other local clubs happen during the summer months. Club sessions are on Monday and Wednesday afternoons at 2.00pm from May to September. Bring some flat soft-soled shoes but the club can lend you a set of bowls if you don't have your own.

New members are always very welcome. Club membership is currently £25 per annum and there is a Season Ticket fee to pay to Ealing Council for the use of the Green, which has a reduction if you qualify for a Leisure Pass. Contact Pitshanger Park Bowls membership secretary by email at <a href="membership@pitshangerparkbc.co.uk">membership@pitshangerparkbc.co.uk</a> or by phone on 020 8998 7659 if you have any questions or want more details. Contact details and other information are at <a href="https://www.pitshangerparkbc.co.uk">www.pitshangerparkbc.co.uk</a>



## Meadow House Tea Party 28th April



Tea will be served at 3pm in the Day Hospice at Meadow House. Tickets £12.00 for Adults, £5.00 for Children. Available by advance purchase only from Meadow House. For tickets and further information please contact Meadow House on 020 8967 5179 or email <a href="mailto:lnwh-tr.meadowhouse@nhs.net">lnwh-tr.meadowhouse@nhs.net</a> (please advise any special dietary requirements at the time of booking).

Free parking will be available on the day behind Ealing Hospital, Uxbridge Road, UB1 3HW.



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