

# BROCKLEY SOCIETY



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## Brockley Society 30 years and still going strong! Annual General Meeting - Monday 6 December, 8pm

St Andrews Church, cnr Brockley / Wickham Roads, SE4

**Speakers:** Karen and Ian Hibbert will tell us about their visit to an amazing and seldom-seen Roman archeological site in Libya, with pictures.

*Mulled wine and mince pies to refresh you!*

**All welcome! New blood needed!**

The AGM is your chance to meet other local people or to get involved in Brockley activities. Bring your ideas and an open heart to continue BrocSoc for another 30 years (see page 3).

*We need new committee members (fun and not at all onerous) and new ideas.*

## Brockley Calendar

**BXAG Brockley Cross Action Group**  
AGM - public meeting

Thursday 25 November 8pm,  
Church of God, Shardeloes Road.

Consider putting your name forward to be on the 2004/5 committee. This involves a meeting every 6 weeks, and it is vital to have active members on the committee.

**To find out more, phone**  
Vicky on 020 8692 8784.

**Streetleaders conference:** Chris Woods gave an inspiring presentation on behalf of BXAG to the Lewisham Streetleaders conference in October. This has already borne fruit, as the government official present wants his team to meet us, particularly regarding our ideas about improving the local environment (i.e the Brockley Common project, next to Brockley Station)

**Hilly Fields Users' Group Meeting**  
Tuesday 7 December 7.30pm  
Prendergast School, Hilly Fields.

**Carol Singing**

Monday 20 December, 7pm

Meet at the corner of  
Harefield/Tressillian Roads and sing  
round the houses for about an hour.  
Proceeds to Shelter.

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Everyone living in the Brockley Conservation area is automatically a member of the Brockley Society. The Brockley Society welcomes all - regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or physical disability.

## Hilly Fields Bowling Green

In 2006, the bowling club on Hilly Fields will reach its centenary. To celebrate this event, I am writing a history of the club.

Although the bowling green takes up only a small square of Hilly Fields and the membership of the club is not large, the club plays an important part in the overall history of the area.

The Men's Club, called the Francis Drake Bowling Club, was formed in 1906. When the ladies began to play, they formed a separate club, the Hilly Fields Ladies Bowls Club. Thus, the green has been played on since Edwardian times: surviving two World Wars; struggling through several hot, dry summers; withstanding the ravages of foxes; standing firm when mistaken for a football pitch by some of the younger inhabitants of the neighbourhood; and, of course, stoically enduring the passions of bowlers at play.

Although the green contains a hundred years of history, there are not many records. Therefore, I am asking the readers of the Brockley Society Newsletter for help. If anyone has

You shall go to the Panto!

## Cinderella

at Greenwich Theatre

Friday 17th December 7pm



Ghosts, mice, frogs, explosions, jokes and audience participation - London Bubble are back with a new

Christmas show, Cinderella, at Greenwich Theatre. For one night only Broc Soc has arranged bargain seats for children and accompanying adults, as well as a golden coach to carry them there and back in comfort. Tickets are just £4 for children and £7.50 for adults.

*At these prices tickets are going to sell fast so ring your fairy godmother now to avoid disappointment!*

**Ring Deb to book**  
tickets on 8691 8945



memories of the green and the club I would like to hear from you. However small the memory, it would contribute to an overall picture of the club's history.

And, by the way, we are always looking for new members. What better time to join than on the cusp of a new bowling century!

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Protesters do their best to stop the planned closure of the newly refurbished Ladywell baths. Sadly, the building will be demolished in a few years to make way for a new secondary school.

## The Council's New Traffic Proposals

You should have received a coloured leaflet about Brockley Traffic Proposals. 'Improving our streets - Brockley and Ladywell - Our proposals'. If not, please phone Transport division 020 8314 2025 or 020 8314 2591 and make your views known.

BrocSoc will respond, but it is not easy to come up with a view or opinion that everyone agrees with. Here is a broad overview of comments received.

**Some residents do agree** with the proposals, including road closures.

**Pedestrians and bus users who don't have cars:** Most are happy with the proposals as they stand. The idea of a 20mph zone is welcomed and should reduce accidents, if adhered to. The St John's area has had a 20 mph zone for almost a year now. Please can we get local schools to design the signs that mark the entrance to the zone, as in St. John's Area.

**Traffic cushions** can be dangerous for pedestrians as cars veer towards the pavement to avoid them. The 484 bus should **NOT** include 'lower' Harefield Road on its route. It should run along Brockley Road as far as Wickham Road and then along Wickham Road to join Harefield Road, thus covering a larger area, going near more shops and blocks of flats. This would also stop the damage which is a problem for cars parked on lower Harefield Road.

Everybody said we need **more enforcement of the yellow lines** along street corners. **Confusing messages** in Darling, Avon, Drake Roads will not have any effect unless the yellow lines are enforced. These measures are probably a waste of money and will cause more bad feeling as precious parking spaces are eroded by the space the chicane and 'end of road' measures take up. The speed in these roads is never high.

**Chevron parking** - (that is parking at an angle and not parallel to the road), would work along the wider roads - Wickham, Manor Avenue, Breakspears and Tyrwhitt Road (upper part). This could increase parking spaces, reduce the road width and therefore the speed of cars, without the need for humps. This already exists at St Margaret's Rd. It would also encourage informal one way traffic.

**20 mph zone:** Although a good idea in theory, how manageable/enforceable is a 20mph zone? Speed humps do not calm every motorist down - they infuriate some. Cars and lorries make more noise and pollution going over them. Traffic cushions can be confusing and dangerous for pedestrians.

**Brockley Cross/Malpas Road, at the foot of Geoffrey Rd.** must not be narrowed to one lane. Already the traffic tails back to the Cross in rush hours. A single lane at this point will cause more chaos than we have already. Brockley Cross improvements felt to be inadequate.

Most respondents said that the Harefield and Hilly Fields Crescent closures won't work and were not wanted - they will concentrate traffic and force it to the fringes, on to Lewisham Way and Adelaide Ave, which are already blocked in the rush hour. They will stop us reaching Ladywell, Catford and all points east. They will adversely affect local businesses.

Some people who live on the 'rat run' would welcome the road closures.

## Waterworks Building, Brookmill Road. Proposals to demolish!

A new proposal plans to demolish the Victorian Waterworks building and replace it with a modern building for the Stephen Lawrence Centre, which will offer education and training opportunities to young people and an architectural centre. This use is to be welcomed. But why cannot the original Victorian façade be incorporated into the new building?

Approaching from Deptford, the imposing building facing you on the left as the road curves was built between 1858 and 1868 as the new headquarters of the Kent Water Works. Artesian wells, reservoirs and other industrial buildings were between the wide branch of the river and the meandering Ravensbourne stream. Most of this was unaltered until the Docklands Light Railway was built.

The 1860s building was the administration block, with a large residential part to the rear, probably for the senior manager, and extensive gardens down to the river. Many people remember it like that. One told me about being chased out of the garden when he was collecting conkers; others talk about the view of the house from Brookmill Gardens, when it had its own enclosed garden.

Since the gardens were incorporated into the open space, the house side is much more visible. Ugly razor wire on the walls (without planning permission) sadly did not stop ingress and a fire has damaged the roof and part of the interior.

This side of Brookmill Road has already lost most of its historic buildings, including a pair of listed Georgian houses which the Water Board demolished for the two 1960s houses in front of the larger building.

This is an important building, both as part of our Industrial Heritage and as part of the history of Deptford - the only part of the borough with its own water works! About eight years ago, and again when the DLR plans were known, BrocSoc requested local listing for the building, but the list has been lost! It seems Lewisham Council only puts a building on its local list after a lot of local pressure, and only when a building is under threat! St. Peter's Centre, Brockley Police Station and the Adhesives factory in Ladywell are recent examples.

The St. John's Society, Lewisham Local History Council and others want the building retained and modified to use as part of the new complex: 'This fantastic Victorian building with the circular bay windows looks over the northern edge of Brookmill Park. To demolish this piece of local history would be appalling - it needs to be saved and any future planning applications on that site need to include it.' BrocSoc will write in objection to demolition.

### What you can do:

Anyone may object, even if you do not live in the area. Get as many people as possible to write or e-mail objections by the end of November to Lewisham Council Planning Dept., 5th Floor, Laurence House, Catford, SE6 4RU. Quote: Planning Application no. DC/04/57862.

## Apology

In the last issue we omitted the notice for Brockley Open Studios in July, an annual event when a large number of artists living and working in Brockley open their studios to the public for three days. We apologise for this omission to all the artists involved and to all our readers who may have missed the dates because of our mistake.

## The fascination of Crystal Palace

The BrocSoc meeting on 22 September heard a dramatic account from Ian Bevan (of Crystal Palace Museum and Trust) of the Crystal Palace's origins in Hyde Park for the Great Exhibition, its removal in pieces by horse and cart to Sydenham Hill, and its development to become a vast 'palace for the people'. It was surrounded by fountains and boating lakes, and filled with amazing exhibits - industrial in the north sections, Egyptian, Greek, Alhambran and other courts in the south. A fire in 1866 destroyed much, and an aquarium took their place. People spent whole days at Crystal Palace (admission 2d) for entertainments as varied as trapeze artists, orchestral concerts, ballooning and boxing.

The fire on the night of 30 November 1936 was visible for 25 miles and the glow could be seen from Brighton. It was an unforgettable, national event. Afterwards, everyone recollected where they were when it happened - an event on a par with the Kennedy assassination.

Nothing remains of the palace's huge glass splendour, but the name lives on, as do tantalising mementoes in the park and museum. The talk and slides made a fascinating evening.

- Crystal Palace Museum, Anerley Hill, open 11am-5pm Sundays and Bank Holidays.
- Crystal Palace Walkabouts take place on the second Sunday of every month throughout the year
- Expert guides take you on a healthy and historical 1-2 hour walk of the upper section of nationally listed Grade II\* Crystal Palace Park. They will show you the terraces and sphinxes, the hug, and more.

[www.crystalpalacefoundation.org.uk](http://www.crystalpalacefoundation.org.uk)

## THE A6 SHOW 2004

Arthouse Gallery  
140 Lewisham Way  
London  
SE14 6PD

4 - 19 December 2004  
12 - 6pm Wednesday - Sunday

Opening Friday 3 December 2004 6 - 9 pm

## Open studios

Friday 3 December 6 - 9 pm  
Saturday 4 December 12 - 6pm

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# Thirty years of BrocSoc - help it continue flourishing!

Brockley Society is the main community organisation for all those who live within the Brockley Conservation Area. It was set up in 1974 to make sure all future developments and planning in the area would enhance rather than destroy its character. This purpose remains, but BrocSoc's role has also been to campaign on issues important to or threatening the area, and to support all sorts of community actions by different groups of people - for both improvements and fun! The biggest activity is the Midsummer Fayre in June, but over the years a myriad of other activities have been carried out, supported or facilitated. BrocSoc's charity status and events insurance enables it to support all sorts of initiatives. Under the BrocSoc umbrella YOU could organise an event or activity - from craft fairs and musical events to children's parties.

BrocSoc also supports other local organisations like Brockley Cross Action Group, Lewisham ArtHouse, the Francis Drake Bowling Club, or the Hilly Fields Users' Group, to name a few.

The Annual General Meeting (details on page 1) is a good time to get involved. We need new committee members. We need new ideas. We need a little of your time. If you live in the Conservation Area you are automatically a member, and you may have views on what BrocSoc should do. So, to paraphrase John Donne's famous 1623 statement that no one is separate from the bigger whole: 'Never send to say what BrocSoc should do, for BrocSoc is YOU.' Come and tell us what YOU want to organise.

Below is a taste of the first three issues of Brockley Society newsheets from 1974, when a system of Road Representatives was set up. Is this an idea we should return to?

**BROCKLEY SOCIETY**  
Newsheet No. 1  
May-June 1974

**Buildings Currently Threatened**

**Face-Bill for Upper Brockley Shop Forecourts**

**with Local Representatives**

**WANTED WASTE PAPER**  
NEWSPAPER OLD MAGAZINES  
PACKAGING CARDBOARD  
OLD DIRECTORIES  
ETC. ETC. ETC.

**COLLECTED**  
THE NEXT COLLECTION WILL BE ON  
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16th at 10.00 AM

**SPENDING THE MONEY**  
**SAVE WASTE PAPER**

**BROCKLEY SOCIETY**  
Newsheet No. 3  
September-October 1974

**RESIDENTS REJECT ROAD PROPOSALS**

**Six tons of waste paper**

**Dutch Elm Disease**

**We still want all your WASTE PAPER**  
NEWSPAPER OLD MAGAZINES  
PACKAGING CARDBOARD  
OR ETC. ETC.

**COLLECTED**  
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AT 10.00 AM

**SPENDING THE MONEY**  
**SAVE WASTE PAPER**

**BROCKLEY SOCIETY**

**8pm Oct 24, St Peter's Hall Cranfield Rd**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**AGENDA**

**REPORT**

**AGREEMENT**

**CONTRIBUTE**

**YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS IT**  
FOR YOUR FURTHER ENTERTAINMENT

## Some moments from BrocSoc's 30-year life

Trottie Kirwan was a previous chair of BrocSoc. Here are some of her recollections. Although I don't really know much about the first 20 years, here are two bits I do know about:

The centenary appeal in 1995 for the playground in the park when we raised about £5,000 to make the picnic area and to renovate the playground. Lewisham contributed the train in the playground and we got the rest of the stuff repaired. We raised the money by begging letters, barbecues at the playground on Sundays, sponsor-a-railing at the summer fair, and people doing sponsored activities. A list of donors follows. The piece in the newsletter stated: '1996 was the hundredth birthday of Hilly Fields Park, and BrocSoc has been raising money to mark the Centenary. By donations from hundreds of local people as well as from big institutions we have been able to put railings round a picnic area next to the children's playground; and in association with the Hilly Fields Park Users Group, we have had the playground renovated and new equipment put in. The railings were installed by a Brockley firm, the Art of Cast; and a Brockley stonemason, John Pitt, has made a stone plaque to record the Centenary work. The Mayor of Lewisham came to open the new picnic area in February. The people who contributed to the Centenary Appeal were invited to the ceremony, as well as some local Primary School children. We were invited for refreshments into Prendergast School where the staff and pupils made everyone very welcome. We had a bright sunny day, the bulbs that were planted last November were just beginning to show, and the Park looked its best for the occasion.

'It was a fine celebration of the Centenary of Hilly Fields, which should go on to give pleasure to people in Brockley for another hundred years.'

In 1997 we had another appeal and raised the money for the climbing equipment on the brow of the hill

Carol singing round the streets started in about 1990 and raised money for Shelter. We used to have gangs of primary aged children with lanterns knocking on all the doors in the street at once while their parents stood in the middle and sang. we had people bringing recorders and fiddles to accompany the singing.

## Hilly Fields Centenary Appeal

The following contributed to create a picnic area in Hilly Fields Park in its centenary year 1996

Brockley Society, Lewisham Council, Leathersellers Company, Drapers Company, Goldsmiths Company, Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, Mercers Company, Charities Aid Foundation, Octavia Hill Society, Friends of Prendergast School, Wisbech Society, Finchley Society, Thorney Society, Bedford Society, David Porter, Fogia Hayee, Clarissa Porter, Elena Kington, Saskia Porter, Nina Smith, Lyndsey Hayes, Jane Haywood, Shirley O'Connor, Anne Collis, Ben Darlington, Jenny Hedley, Bill Leigh, Kerwin Hosang, Sam and Alfie Dent, Sue-Anne Hepplewhite, Steve Erlicher, Dylan Childs, Brendan and Maggie Doyle, Norman and Roger, Victoria Xuareb, Mark Sheahan, Judith Wallis, Joan Smith, Jonathan and Liz Carter, Christina Healey, Barbara Bucknall, Linda Strickland, Mrs K M Turner, Oona P Gleeson, Lindsey Beaton, Gillian Heywood, The Kirwan family, Andrew and Gill Brown, Mr & Mrs M V Graham, Wendy Woodall, John White, Oliver Rennett, Nicole Livingstone-Smith, Ben Revell, Lily Leeming, Claire Furlong, Margaret Blackford, The Griffiths family, M J Brailard, Will Southward, Eithne and Owen O'Connell, Miss R M Milton, Mike Allen, Paisley Thomas, Adrian and Rebecca Reed, Maeve and Mick Smith, Jessica and Daniel Smith, Megan McGilchrist, Carol Thompson, Tim Deacon, William Thompson, Alison Firth, Juliet Barrett, The O'Sheas, Lawrence Natalia and Amilia Rappak, E Fumagalli, Stephen Bailey, Rosemary Mbondo, Juliet Johnson, Diana Stevenson, Andrew Luscombe, Rosalie Gayle, Oliver and Dina Natelson, Monica Place, Joan Hall, Vera Sage, David Powell, Freddy Hill, Bill Murray Wheelan, Christina Swain, Betty and Roy Judge, Grounds family, P Clayton, Bernard Kane, Elizabeth Donoghue, Rachel Beard, Peggy Nash, Ann Clayton, Ira Chalphin, Jeremy Ouvry, John King, Williams family, Johnson family, and anonymous donors

# Success!

## Brockley Police Station is still open!

This time last year we reported that Brockley Police Station had a stay of execution, but not for long.

We have all worked hard to bring the situation in Brockley to the notice of the powers that be. After eight months of intensive work by Chief Inspector Davis, it has been decided that the Police Station building in Howson Road is the most suitable place to house the police and from which to run a front office! I think we could have told them that ten years ago!!

All vacant premises in Brockley Road were considered, but none was suitable, so the old 1884 building has yet another stay of execution.

The 1960s brought the first closure of the front office, at first shut at night. Then in the 1980s the building was shut completely to the public, only to be opened again on a daily basis, as the amount of crime had risen dramatically - showing that a police station was needed in the area.

Closure loomed again: in 1995 huge protests took place, but to no avail. It was again closed completely to the public. When Inspector Wayne Chance arrived at Brockley, he worked hard with the community, Neighbourhood Watch Groups and the Brockley Police Sector Working Party to open the front desk so that the public could use the police station for reporting crimes etc. once again.

At this point a group of interested people took up the challenge and volunteered to be trained by the police on how to run the front desk. This involves meeting the public, taking messages accurately, answering the phone, filling in forms, liaising with the police and PCSOs in the station, running the photocopier, keeping a log of all happenings, checking property handed in - and generally being useful for four hours, Monday to Friday 10am - 2pm.

We have lost several members as they take full time jobs on a front desk at other police stations, go off to become police officers, retire, or have a baby (one); all genuine reasons for leaving.

So now we need more volunteers to run effectively. Full training is given, including a first aid course, and there is a lunch allowance. You could do as little or as much as you like, all we ask is that you can come regularly whether it be daily or fortnightly.

If you think you might like to do this, please ring the station 020 8284 8525, and discuss the possibilities with Janet or the Sector Inspector, Yvonne Miles.

*I hope to see you there soon.*

*Gillian*

## Volunteers needed!

Brockley Police Station is still open - and now needs new people to run the front desk. This is interesting work, meeting members of the public, and often very satisfying when you feel that you have helped someone with a problem, whether it is a traffic matter or something more personal. Full training is given and expenses are paid.

See the article about the Police Station in this issue, to learn more about what we do, or pay us a visit at 4 Howson Road, Brockley or phone on Monday to Thursday, 10 till 2pm (it could be Friday as well if there enough staff) - 020 8284 8535.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### 7 Wickham Road, London, SE4

The formation of a vehicular access and handstanding to the front. *Refused*

### 22 Geoffrey Road, London, SE4 INT

The installation of 'Velux' type windows in the front roof slope. *Granted*

### 101 Breakspears Road, London, SE4 1TY

Details of proposed light tubes to the roof of the proposed dwelling, submitted in compliance with Condition (1) of the planning permission dated 22 December 2003 for the alteration and conversion of the single storey addition at the side, to provide a one bedroom, self-contained flat. *Granted*

### 78 Tyrwhitt Road, London, SE4 1QB

The retention of 6 letter boxes on the front elevation. *Refused*

### 24 Geoffrey Road, London, SE4 INT

The alteration and conversion of the lower ground and upper ground floor maisonette, together with the construction of a single storey rear extension to provide 1, one bedroom and 1, three bedroom self contained flats. *Granted*

### 8 The Parade, Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4 ISX

The change of use, alteration and conversion of the ground floor and basement to provide 1, one bedroom and 1, studio self-contained flats, together with the construction of a single storey extension to the rear and a basement area at the front of the property. *Refused*

**St Peter's Church (Brockley) Junction of Cranfield Road and Wickham Road, London, SE4**

The replacement of the existing windows guards with black powder-coated stainless steel window guards. *Granted*

### 121 Breakspears Road, London, SE4 1TY

The alteration and conversion, together with the construction of a first floor extension at the rear and the installation of 'Velux' type windows in the rear roof slope to provide 2, two bedroom self-contained flats and 1, two bedroom self-contained maisonette. *Granted*

### 76 Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4 1ST

Details of a Method Statement in relation to demolition works submitted in compliance with Condition (ii) of the appeal decision dated 15 December 2003. DC/02/51204, for the demolition of the existing coach house and construction of 2 semi detached, two-storey, two bedroom houses on the site of the former coach house at the rear. *Granted*

### 241a Lewisham Way, London, SE4 1XF

The change of use, alteration and conversion of the basement and ground floors to provide a self-contained studio flat and 1 two bedroom self-contained maisonette, together with alterations to the front and rear elevations, the construction of a 1.8 metre high boundary fence to the rear and the provision of 4 cycle stands and a bin store. *Granted*

### 75 Manor Avenue, London, SE4 1TD

The change of use to a residential children's home. *Refused*

### 47 Wickham Road, London, SE4

The construction of a conservatory at the rear to provide additional living space. *Granted*

### 146 Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4 1SS

The alteration and conversion of the existing two bedroom self-contained upper maisonette on the first and second floors to provide 2 one bedroom self-contained flats. *Refused*

### 71 Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4 1TF

The construction of a conservatory at the rear to provide additional living space. *Granted*

### 13a, Tressillian Crescent, London, SE4 1QJ

The construction of a conservatory at the rear of to provide additional living space. *Granted*

### 30 Cranfield Road, London, SE4 1UG

The construction of a wooden shed at the end of the rear garden. *Granted*

### A C Garage, 243 Lewisham Way, London, SE4 1XF

The change of use of the ground floor and basement from retail (Use Class A1) to a restaurant and hot food takeaway (Use Class A3). *Granted*

### Lewisham College, Breakspears Road, London, SE4 1UT

The retention of a prefabricated timber shed, trash compactor and a metal skip enclosed with a new fence and access gate in the rear service yard, together with the provision of 3 re-cycling bins. *Granted*

### 100 Adelaide Avenue, London, SE4

The construction of a single storey extension at the rear. *Granted*

### Basement Flat, 47 Wickham Road, London, SE4 1LT

The installation of a new window to the front of the Basement Flat. *Granted*

### 8 Harefield Mews, London, SE4 1LP

The demolition of the existing workshop and construction of a single storey plus roof space, two bedroom, terraced house. *Refused*

### 124 Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4 1SS

The construction of a single storey extension to the rear, together with alterations to the rear elevation. *Granted*

### 173 Brockley Road, London, SE4 2RS

The variation of the Condition attached to the planning permission dated 16 April 1987 for the continued use as a take-away hot food shop in order to allow the premises to be open for business until 2.00 am Monday to Thursday and 3.00 am Friday to Sunday. *Granted*

### 188 and 188a, Brockley Road, London, SE4 2RN

The installation of a new shopfront, together with the construction of a conservatory to the rear. *Granted*

**Breakspears Building, Lewisham College, Breakspears Road, London, SE4**

The construction of a new glazed canopy and entrance lobby to the front of Breakspears Building, together with the provision of a pedestrian gate in the boundary fence fronting Breakspears Road. *Granted*

### 199-201, Lewisham Way, London, SE4 1UY

The retention of a single storey extension to the rear to provide a kitchen/preparation room. *Granted*

### 77a, Adelaide Avenue, London, SE4 1JY

The installation of PVCu replacement windows, together with alterations to the kitchen window opening and the bricking-up of the dining room window on the rear elevation. *Granted*

### 38b, Breakspears Road, London, SE4 1UW

The construction of a shed in the rear garden. *Granted*

### 5 Harefield Road, London, SE4 1LW

The construction of an extension to the side at first floor level to provide a two bedroom self contained flat. *Refused*

### 41 Wickham Road, London, SE4 1LT

The alteration and conversion to provide 1, one bedroom and 4, two bedroom, self-contained flats. *Granted*

### 102 Tressillian Road, London, SE4 1XX

The construction of a conservatory on the site of the existing at the rear to provide additional living space. *Granted*

**Garages rear of 41 Wickham Road and fronting Garsington Mews, London, SE4**

The demolition of the existing garages at the rear of 41 Wickham Road fronting Garsington Mews SE4. *Granted*

**Garages rear of 41 Wickham Road fronting, Garsington Mews, London, SE4**

The demolition of the existing garages at the rear and the construction of 2, two storey, two bedroom houses, together with 2 car and bicycle spaces and associated landscaping. *Refused*

## Pending

### Rear of, 51 Manor Avenue, London, SE4

The construction of 2 two storey, two-bedroom semi detached houses with integral garages at the rear.

### Ground Floor Flat, 44 Adelaide Avenue, London, SE4 1YR

The installation of double glazed white uPVC windows to the rear elevation of Hall Floor.

### 32a, Manor Avenue, London, SE4 1PD

The removal of the outer door, together with the installation of timber-framed box sash replacement windows to the front.

### Rear of 153 and 155, Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4

The demolition of the existing garages at the rear and construction of a pair of 2 two bedroom two storey mews houses with integral garages.

### 159 and, 159a Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4

The alteration and conversion to provide 2, two bedroom, self-contained maisonettes, together with the installation of a dormer window in the rear roof slope, the demolition of the existing garage buildings and the construction of a part three/part four storey block incorporating roof terraces, comprising 6, one bedroom and 4, two bedroom, self-contained flats, associated landscaping, storage space at basement and provision of bin stores.

**159 and, 159a Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4**

Conservation area consent for the demolition of the existing garage buildings.

### 44f Wickham Road, London, SE4 1NZ

The installation of a Velux roof light in the front roof slope.

### 84 Upper Brockley Road, London, SE4 1ST

The alteration and conversion of ground, first and second floors, to provide 1, one bedroom, self-contained flat and 1, two bedroom, self-contained maisonette, together with the construction of a two storey extension and extension at first floor level to the rear.

## Trees

Crown reduce by 35% and crown thin by 20% a Chestnut tree to the front of 48 Manor Avenue, SE4.

Crown lift and shorten lateral limb over road, thin lower crown, crown lift away from roof a Sycamore tree to the front of 52 Geoffrey Road, SE4.

Crown reduce by 50% a London Plane tree to the front of 45 Adelaide Avenue, SE4.

Crown reduce by 40% a Sycamore tree in the rear garden of Flat 3, 22 Manor Avenue, SE4.

Reduce overall crown by 30% and by 15% thin remaining crown of a Sycamore tree at the rear of 13 Breakspears Road, SE4.

Fell a Sycamore tree at the rear of 43 St. Margaret's Road, SE4.

Fell a Eucalyptus tree at the rear of 75 Harefield Road, SE4.

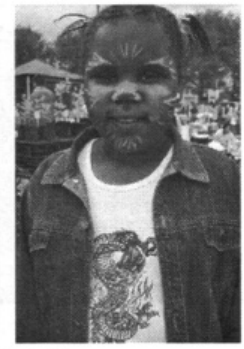
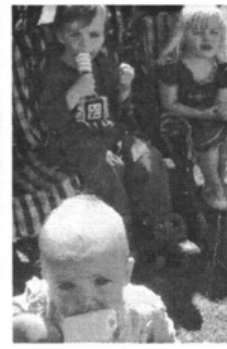
Fell seven self-sown Sycamore trees in the rear garden at 38 St. Margaret's Road, SE4.

Crown thin by 25-30% a Lime tree in the rear garden at 33 Chalsey Road, SE4.

Fell five Sycamore trees, two Pear trees, one Crab Apple tree, remove various shrubs and carry out minor maintenance and remedial work as detailed in the application to remaining trees at the rear of 78 Tyrwhitt Road, SE4.

Crown reduce by 30% two Sycamore trees in the rear garden at 74 Manor Avenue, SE4.





## Hilly Fields Midsummer Fayre Saturday 19 June 2004

The Midsummer Fayre is the biggest annual community event in the area. About 3,000 people enjoyed a wide range of entertainments, activities, and over 100 stalls: from beautiful hand made arts and crafts, the farmers, market, massage and face painting, to people selling the contents of their attic. Entertainment in the arena included salsa

dancing from Lewisham's Sahara club, Donna Maria's maypole; St Norbert's Majorettes, and the Deptford Green Steel Band. In the tug of war, forty little kids beat twenty big kids twice. The Metropolitan Police Parachute display team jumped again. For the kids there was a bouncy slide, quasar laser, football goal-scoring game, children's train, and roundabout rides.

Refreshments included the barbecue, West Indian and Thai food, vegetarian food, donuts and ice cream.

- Our local MP Joan Ruddock judged the cake competition and Sybil Phoenix, who has done so much work locally for disadvantaged youngsters, presented prizes for the drawing and photography competitions.

### The Sights and Sounds of Summer

Transport yourself back to the summer months and, in particular to June 19th. I hope, like thousands of others, you were enjoying the sights and sounds of the annual Midsummer Fayre.

We arrived just at the time a troop of parachutists descended onto Hilly Fields, amidst trails of red smoke and applause from the crowds gathered below. It was a thrilling start to the afternoon.

Then off to admire the entries for the cake competition. The standard was as always highly professional, and we gazed longingly at a particularly scrumptious-looking chocolate hedgehog with humbugs for eyes and a glace cherry nose.

Our appetites whetted, we went in search of something to eat and found delicious barbecued sweetcorn and Caribbean chicken. We were having almost as much fun as the rather more energetic folk passionately performing salsa dancing in the arena. Or indeed the many participants in the traditional tug-of-war. (I've no idea who won but it was a good-natured competition and everyone seemed to go away smiling after the event.)

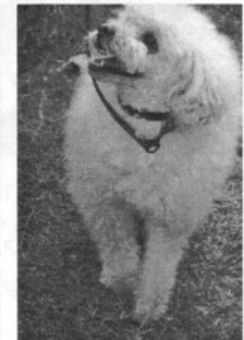
At one point the arena was filled with pairs of well-matched dogs and owners. Long-haired mistresses patted shaggy dogs, short-legged pets gazed up adoringly at their not-so-tall masters and regal-looking canines were accompanied by their equally elegant owners. Everyone could be a winner

- even a delightful little 3-legged pet, who quite rightly carried off the prize for "the dog with the fewest legs".

The afternoon continued with steel bands sparking impromptu dancing, spiderman faces, blue and yellow ice creams and brightly-coloured wiggly worms on sticks.

As the weather cooled slightly, Donna Maria warmed hearts with her colourful maypole-dancing troop. Scores of local children from all parts of the community joined the experts and were captivated by the magic of it all. We left to the sounds of "an English Country Garden" ringing in our ears.

The perfect way to spend a midsummer's afternoon.



### The Brockley Tea Stall

One way for the locals and others who visit the Hilly Fields Midsummer Fayre to support Brockley Society, while enjoying good food, is to sample the nutritious and delicious delights of the BrocSoc Barbecue and the tea and cake stall. The burgers and sausages and full vegetarian range are locally bought and sizzled on the magnificent Barbecue (available to rent), and the Tea Stall is an old-fashioned treat - and something of a mystery. How does a tea urn boil in the middle of a field? Who bakes the staggering array of creamy, crumbly and chocolaty cakes? And who are the cheerful teenagers pouring teas and squash and cutting cakes all day long?

The mysterious tea urn is a recent acquisition of BrocSoc. After many years of relying on the generous loan of camping equipment from the

Brockley Scouts, we have acquired a specialised bush tea urn that could brew up in the Australian outback or on a mountain top.

The cakes, buns and biscuits are baked by all of you, and as everyone brings their best efforts, no Knightsbridge Patisserie could ever compete with the quality ingredients and skill of our local bakers. And what a variety we all produce! Hyacinth's pineapple sponge (with a hint of rum?) Peter's iced coffee cake, Michelle's ultra choc American Brownies, Hilary's traditional Victoria sponge; and of course you might pick a professionally baked cake, Clarissa's dreamy lemon sponges are made by someone whose cooking has been featured in magazines and on TV.

But none of this would get sold without the tea stall helpers. They set up the stall. James drags large containers of water from the park standpipe for tea and coffee. They pour tea

and cup up cakes and smile. Then they clear most of it up in the evening. Kitty, Lucy, Isobel, Martin and Amilia have been helping with the tea stall since their cins just reached above the table and they are now well organised and professional. It is hoped that as University claims them, the call back to Brockley on THAT Saturday in midsummer will be too strong to resist.

So next Midsummer Fayre, the tea stall will again be grateful for all your outstanding cakes. They can be brought to the tent on the day and all can be entered for the baking competition. Despite the very high standard set by Tallulah and Rachel in the under-15 section, a boy's England Football Cake won the under-10 prize. Everything gets eaten and appreciated!

Penny

Pictures: Kronika Davis

## Thank you!

Thank you to the person who sowed the seeds around the street trees in the Conservation Area. The huge sunflowers are giving me, and others, I am sure, a great deal of pleasure. Let's work out a programme of planting next year and let Brockley bloom! This could be the start of something good!

Gillian

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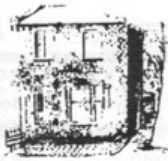
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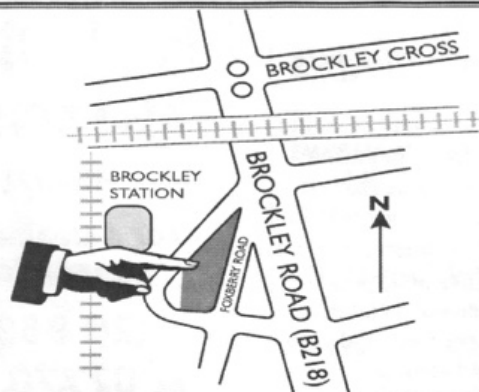
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