



**PRIMROSE HILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**  
29 HOPKINSON'S PLACE, off FITZROY ROAD, LONDON NW1 8TN

# NEWSLETTER JAN/FEB '19

## Lease Appeal Update

The Appeal has raised £235,000 so far from over 250 gifts, and the Fundraising Group are pulling out all the stops to reach the target of £250,000. So any last donations of any size are very, very welcome.

## Harry Enfield & Stephen Mangan Event

We are very excited to be organising this event, which will be an extremely funny evening whilst also raising funds for the lease appeal. We are grateful to Cecil Sharp House for letting us use their venue which holds up to 400 people and we hope to fill it. The event is on Tuesday 15th January 2019 at 7.30pm with tickets costing £15. You can buy tickets from Primrose Hill Books or by ringing them on 020 7586 2022



15 January 2019  
7.30pm  
Cecil Sharp House  
2 Regent's Park Road, NW1 7AY  
£15  
Tickets available from  
Primrose Hill Books  
020 7586 2022  
AT THE HEART  
OF THE  
COMMUNITY  
Celebrating 100 years for the  
Primrose Hill Community  
Centre 1918-2018  
www.phca.cc

## Burns Night Supper

Friday 25th January 2019 from 7pm to 10pm at the Community Centre. Tickets £20 via Eventbrite—see [www.phca.cc](http://www.phca.cc)

### Robert Burns – A Poet for all Seasons

A celebration of the genius of Robert Burns, the Bard of Scotland. Burns' own reputation in this day and age is not uncontested, but his verse speaks to the eternal matters in a very human way. Come and join us for music, poetry, musings and haggis (incl.vegetarian), and evoke the spirit of Caledonia. The Immortal Memory will be given by Catherine Kelly, Burns and Blake aficionado, and your MC for the evening. Offerings from the floor welcome with prior arrangement. There is even an app for it : <https://www.scotland.org/events/burns-night/robert-burns-app>  
The evening will include a communal rendering of a Proclaimers song, and end with dancing.



- **Dress** : informal, though tartan may be worn. Westwood if you have it.
- **Bring** : a sample of your favourite malt and your preferred glass, and your edition of Burns' works.
- **Seating** : once booked please send table preferences via email [events@phca.cc](mailto:events@phca.cc) with the heading 'Burns Seating'.

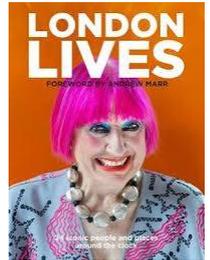
## Open House - January/February

### Weds 9th Jan - *The Assassination of Prime Minister Percival Spencer*

The assassination of Spencer Percival rocked Regency London in 1812. An illustrated talk by Lester Hillman with links to Holborn, Hampstead Heath, Regent's Canal and Primrose Hill.

### Weds 16th Jan - *24 London Lives*

An engaging exploration of London through the lives of twenty-four people in a new book by local authors Danny Rosenbaum and Rupert Vandervell.



### Weds 23rd Jan - *Menier Gallery*

Visit the Sally Scott exhibition of glass engraving, painting and printmaking at the Menier Gallery with her daughter Kate Guy. Travel direct from Centre or meet 2pm at 51 Southwark Street, SE1 1RU.

### Weds 30th Jan - *Sense and Sensibility*

A 2008 adaptation of Jane Austen by Emma Thompson with Kate Winslet and Greg Wise.

### Weds 6th Feb - TBA

### Weds 13th Feb - *The Kindness Offensive*

Hear from the Camden-based group known for random distribution of goods to members of the public and charities.

### Weds 20th Feb - TBA

### Weds 27th Feb - *The Breadwinner*

An Oscar nominated animation about 11 year old Parvana growing up under Taliban rule in Afghanistan in 2001.

**All activities start at 2pm and are free of charge. At Community Centre unless stated otherwise.**

**Open House is sponsored by U3A in London.**

## Jumble Sale

Our Jumble Sale at the Community Centre this year will be held on Saturday 23rd March, so please bring any donations (not electricals) to the centre any time. We will be looking for help on Friday evening 22nd March from 6.30pm, and on the day 23rd March from 10am, so if you can spare a couple of hours please get in touch.

### Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 15th January - Enfield/Mangan event  
Friday 25th January—Burns Night Supper  
Saturday 23rd March - Jumble Sale  
Friday 17th May - Top of the Hill Quiz  
Saturday 8th June - Primrose Hill Summer Fair

### Lunch Club Volunteers Needed

Every Monday and Wednesday we are looking for people to help at the Lunch Club at Oldfield. It would be helping serve lunches, taking money and washing up afterwards, it takes just over an hour and it would help the Lunch Club continue to provide hot lunches for older people. Give Mick or Julie a call on 020 7586 8327 if you would like to find out more.



### Lease Appeal Thanks

We would like to thank everyone that has donated to the lease appeal, it has been a wonderful response by our tight knit community, and all donations however large or small have been warmly received. We are approaching the final straight, so any last minute donations would be very welcome. We look forward to inviting all donors to a celebratory event in February, and ensuring all donors names will go on our wall plaque.

*Thank you!*

### Post Christmas Clear Out

As we settle into 2019, all the festive decorations have been put away and Christmas now seems like a distant memory, but there are always a few left over bits and bobs to remind us that we are done with over indulging for a little while!!!

Have you got any bottles of wine or boxes of chocolates left that you just can't face and are going to sit in the back of a cupboard? Some presents that are sat unloved?

Here at the Community Centre we would welcome anything you may want to drop in. We have events throughout the year, and are always in need of prizes! One thing we love to do is create a hamper or two!!! I have made lots over the years. So don't worry if you just have a bubble bath, or a box of biscuits or a single bottle of something. It doesn't take much to create a fabulous hamper that saves the Centre any expense, but is still a fantastic gift/prize.

Your response in 2017 and 2018 was fantastic! Have a think? Circulate this to friends and neighbours?

Thanks in advance for any donations. Call in and see Mick or Julie. We'd love to see you.

### Library News

#### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February

**The Eagle** - A silent classic, projected on film, starring Rudolph Valentino, directed by Clarence Brown, USA 1925, 80 minutes.

Following the huge success of his previous visits, Kevin Brownlow returns to introduce another silent classic. This time Kevin will be showing his own



film print of one of Rudolph Valentino's finest films. Based on a Pushkin short story, it centres upon a Russian Cossack officer (Valentino) who deserts rather than make love to Catherine the Great (Louise Dresser).

Sentenced to death with a reward on his head for shunning the lusty Czarina, he escapes and becomes the Black Eagle, a dashing masked vigilante, and seeks to avenge the death of his father. However, our hero's mission is complicated when he falls in love with his arch-enemy's daughter (Wilma Banky) and consequently adopts a further disguise as a French tutor. Valentino delivers a charismatic and seductive performance in this delightful, witty adventure that shines with early Hollywood's technical advances and stylish production values.

With live musical accompaniment by Stephen Horne  
Doors open 7.15pm, Introduction 7.45pm, Film 8.00pm £8.00, in cash, including a glass of wine. Tickets, up to two per person, on sale at the Library, Sharpleshall Street, NW1 8YN (on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays) or on the door..

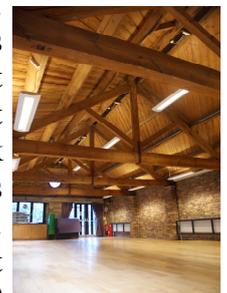
### Halls for Hire

The library has two large rooms for hire on non-library days including Sundays, whilst the Community Centre rents



out mainly at weekends (but tend to book about 4 months in advance).

To find out availability for the library ring 020 7419 6599 or e-mail [events@phcl.org](mailto:events@phcl.org). To find out the Community Centre availability ring 020 7586 8327 or e-mail [info@phca.cc](mailto:info@phca.cc).



### Thursday Drop-in

A very friendly Drop-in with Louisa runs at the Centre every Thursday in term times from 11.15am to 1pm. Cost is £2.50 which includes snack for your child and tea, coffee and biscuits for parents and carers. 0-4years.