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What's on in Barnes

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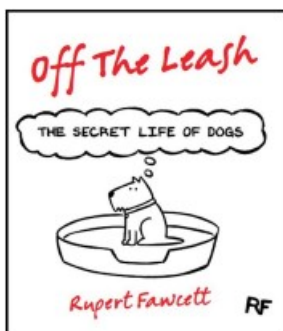
Browse the vintage and craft stalls by the pond

Wednesday October 9
[Barnes Philosophy Club](#)
The Coach & Horses, 7.30pm
Imagination and fiction - a talk
by Professor Derek Maltravers



Thursday October 10
[Beer tasting at the
Barnes WI](#)

Coach & Horses, 7.30pm
Another intriguing sounding
event from the Barnes WI!



Thursday October 10
[Rupert Fawcett at the
Barnes Bookshop](#)

6.30pm - 8.30 pm
Cartoonist Rupert Fawcett will
be signing copies of his new
book *Off the Leash* - a perfect
gift for the dog lover in your
life.

Wrapping up the future of Barnes - The Big Barnes Ponder



The organisers of the [Big Barnes Ponder](#) on October 19 have devised an imaginative way to promote it - tree wrapping. This Saturday (October 5) trees around Barnes Pond will be wrapped with bows and carry special gift tags - giving details of the event and also highlighting some of the ideas for developing Barnes which have emerged from the Love Barnes research project earlier this year.

A happy band of volunteers is helping wrap trees on the morning of Saturday October 5, and if you would like to join them do come to the OSO at 10am.

It promises to be a lovely community event as there will be music coming from the re-opening of the OSO and some brilliant activities for children. These include face painting and a 'Tree of Ideas' where one tree will be set aside for children to decorate with their own suggestions for Barnes.

The aim of the Big Barnes Ponder is to involve as many Barnes residents as possible in a big planning exercise to help shape the future of Barnes for the next 10 years. The results of this planning day will enable the Barnes Town Team to get Council support for the initiatives that come out of the event and apply for other funding too.

Local businesses have given the day a great deal of support and everyone who attends the October 19 'Ponder' will be entered into a draw, with prizes including Lunch for Four at [Sonny's Kitchen](#), [Olympic Studios](#) and [Wetland Centre](#) tickets, and magazine vouchers from Natsons. Londis will be providing a free lunch for participants and local author Andrew Wilson has also donated free copies of his [Wild About Barnes](#) books which will go to the first 50 attendees. To find out more about the Big Barnes Ponder [click here](#).

O So Exciting - a new OSO



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Do come along to the OSO this Saturday for the unveiling of the new OSO Café & Bar and to have a look around the newly refurbished facilities, including a beautiful new floor made possible by a £12,000 grant from the Barnes Workhouse Fund. The café will be selling great coffee, and a great range of sandwiches, cakes and snacks, and for early birds there is the offer of free Buck's Fizz. The OSO's in house group O So Jazz will be playing from 11am onwards, so come along and enjoy the new café, great music and join in the fun of tree wrapping on Barnes Green.

Friday October 11 & Saturday
 October 12
BCA Jumble Sale at The
 Kitson Hall

This is the biggest Jumble Sale in London and has an amazing collection of vintage items at knockdown prices. There are hundreds of books, toys, fabulous clothes and housewares. The bric-à-brac section is renowned in South West London for its treasures, so come and grab a bargain.

Saturday October 12
Children's Concert at
 The OSO

2.30 pm
 A special concert for little ones, with tunes on the accordion amongst other instruments plus the opportunity to sing along and provide a percussion accompaniment. Wonderful for children, but for adults all we can say is bring ear plugs!



Sunday October 13
Fun with Funghi at the
 London Wetland Centre
 Join fungi enthusiast Catherine Beazley for an autumnal stroll around the reserve to spot and identify fascinating fungi.

Sunday October 13
Bishop of Southwark
 comes to St Mary's
 The Right Reverend Chrisopher Chessum will give the address at the annual Choral Evensong.

Churchill's £2,400 cigars

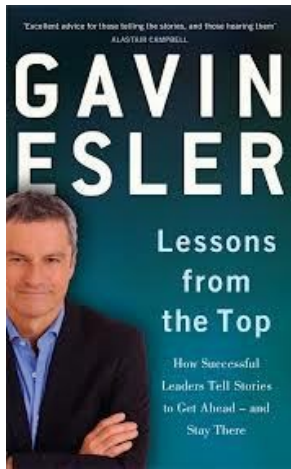


A lot at this month's Barnes Auctions attracted international interest after it was featured in The Times and on the BBC website. Two of Winston Churchill's cigars, together with some photographs and signed Churchill memorabilia, were sold by the descendants of a woman who worked as a cleaner at 10 Downing St during the war. After The Times ran the story about the auction lot, it was picked up by the BBC website and the lot sold for over twice its estimate to a telephone bidder from the Cayman Islands.

Olympic Studios opens with Tom Hanks



The Olympic Studios' main screen will open on Friday October 18 showing Captain Phillips starring Tom Hanks. The new look building will be unveiled to founder members on the evening of October 11 and non members will be able to pop in to the Olympic to enjoy the soft opening of the restaurant from the 14th onwards. Tickets for Captain Phillips also go on sale to non members from October 15. The monthly programme (including lots of day time screenings for children to coincide with half term



Wednesday October 16
[Gavin Esler at The Barnes Literary Society](#)
 Barnes Methodist Church,
 7.30pm
 Newsnight presenter Gavin Esler will be talking about his fascinating new book on leadership, inspired by interviews with prominent leaders ranging from Bill Clinton to Thabo Mbeki. It promises to be a hugely interesting event.



Thursday October 17
[Barnes Charity Fashion Show at St Mary's Church](#)
 A brilliantly choreographed catwalk show featuring clothes from local boutiques, with an after party at the Kitson Hall attended by BBC News Presenter Kate Silverton. Tickets available from Marsh & Parsons.

Thursday October 17
[Barnes & Mortlake History Society at the Sheen Lane Centre](#)
 8.00 pm
 David Deaton will be talking on Albert Betts - The man who drew Mortlake.



Thursday October 17
[Twice as Nice Comedy Night at The OSO](#)
 7.00pm
 The OSO welcomes a new

weeks from October 21 to 31) will be announced on the [Olympic website](#) next Monday (October 8).

Join London's hottest chef for lunch in Barnes



Bruno Loubet is currently the [restaurant critic's darling](#) after opening The Grain Store in trendy Kings Cross as a sister restaurant to his Bistrot Bruno Loubet in Clerkenwell. However if you want to try the food the critics are raving about you don't need to trek into North London (heaven forbid!) as Bruno is coming to Sonny's Kitchen in Barnes on October 14 for a special one-off lunch to promote his new cookbook Mange Tout - and as he lives near Barnes the menu includes a special Barnes ingredient Tarte Sucrée with jam made from locally picked blackberries. For more info and to book [click here](#).

Fabulous Food Fair



The rain held off (well mostly) for the Barnes Food Fair on September 21 and as these pictures show - a brilliant time was had by all. Nearly 4,000 people came and thousands of pounds were raised for charity with proceeds being divided between the Barnes Community Association, The Castelnau Community Centre and Old Sorting Office Arts Centre. The cookery demonstrations by Michelin starred chefs were a sell out and if you want to join the mailing list for advanced information on next year's demos [click here](#).

Thanks to Karen Hatch and Caroline Silver Lewis for these pictures.

Downton Abbey comes to the OSO



Well not quite, but Downton fans can get a glimpse of

comedy night from the Twice as Nice comedy club who promise a mix of big name TV and up-and-coming comedians. The opening line-up for October 17 includes Emmy and Bafta winning writer of Drop the Dead Donkey, Nick Revell.



Sunday October 20
Quilting course at Mary's Living Giving Shop
 1.30pm - 4.30 pm
 After asking whether anyone would be interested in a Quilting course in last month's Barnes Village news, the people have spoken and the answer is a resounding yes. So Kate at [Mary's Living & Giving Shop](#) is organising a one-off session. Tickets are £15 and will include tea and cake as well as Instruction. The shop will also provide undertining and fabric. All you need to bring are needles, coloured thread and scissors! If you'd like to book a place please [email Kate](#) the shop manager



Wednesday October 23
[Barnes Music Society - Violin and Piano](#)
 Barnes Methodist Church,
 7.30pm A programme of music including Schubert, Schuman and Beethoven



Ballet for Grown Ups!
 Ballet classes for children abound in Barnes (see [barnesvilage.com](#)) for details, but what if you hanker for the

housekeeper Mrs Bird, in a very funny new Barnes based comedy 'Halfway to the Sun' which is on at the OSO tonight and on Saturday night - [click here](#) to book tickets. The play is peppered with references to Barnes and the title refers to a trip to the Sun Inn. Do go along and enjoy all the Inn-jokes!

Ghoulish goings on at Halloween

All sorts of ghoulish treats are available for those of a nervous disposition this Halloween. Two Peas in a Pod is getting in a bumper crop of pumpkins, and The Duck Pond Deli have some delightful skeleton gingerbread men in stock. For something a little more spooky you could try the [Halloween Night Safari](#) at the London Wetland Centre or [Halloween Live](#) at St Osmund's Community Hall - a party aimed at 2-11 year olds, featuring fancy dress, a Monster Mash disco and all sorts of spooky treats. And for a completely immersive Halloween experience Mampara Dance are organising a [Dance of the Dead](#) half term dance camp. The camp, for children aged 5-14, will have three teachers for different age groups and abilities and throughout the week the children will learn a specially choreographed dance routine. The week will culminate with a flash mob performance at 6.30pm in the Wildwood Kitchen on October 31.



Swimming with the fishes



Local fishmonger Michael Fabray of the Barnes Fish Shop doesn't just sell fish - he swims with them too. He's hung up his wetsuit for the season now but has just come back from completing a 10k swim down the River Dart (above). It's his 15th swim of the year, so no wonder he looks so fit.

Ovarian cancer walk

Parents at the Harrodian School got together this week for a fundraising walk on September 29 celebrating the life and work of Loretta Oliver who sadly died of ovarian cancer earlier this year. Loretta left two young children, both Harrodian pupils, and fellow parents have gathered together to help raise money for research into the treatment of this difficult to treat cancer. The parents are over halfway to their £10,000 target and you can still donate by visiting the [Loretta's Legacy Just Giving](#) page.

Join Barnes' answer to Gareth Malone in our own great choir

elegance and flexibility that Ballet practice can give you and you're not a seven year old? You need wait no more as Catherine Loveless the founder of Butterfly Ballet is launching a new adult ballet class on Wednesday evenings at Holy Trinity in Castlenau. See her [website](#) for more details.



The Barnes Community Choir led by Joe Bunker is looking for new members. They are busy working on a new portfolio of songs for next year's Barnes Music Festival - including learning Sting's Fields of Gold in three part harmony. The choir meets on Thursday nights at 7.30pm at Lowther School and if you fancy a go, there is no audition and no need to read music - you just need to love singing. Call Pauline on 07958 690749 for more information.



Earl & Greenly Cakes
Based in The Terrace in Barnes, [Earl & Greenly Cakes](#) is a new business run by Sally Down, creating special cakes for weddings and celebrations.

Sally has given up her job in retail buying to pursue her passion for cake making and has impressive credentials with Diplomas in Sugar Flowers, Royal Icing and Sugar Paste.

Ladbrokes planning approved despite local protests

Despite a petition carrying over 500 signatures Ladbrokes have been granted a gaming licence which will allow them to set up shop in the old HSBC premises on the corner of Church Road and Elm Grove Road. The new branch of Ladbrokes will feature casino style gambling machines, and local residents are concerned that the arrival of the bookmakers will change the character of a previously quiet parade of shops.

A very grand screening for Big Trouble in Little Barnes



Flavour for Baby
Former Waitrose buyer and expert cook Lydia Gerratt has launched specialist cooking classes for new mothers. The classes will teach you to cook meals that your baby will love and that more importantly will introduce them to great flavours early in life. For more information see her [website](#).



Fresh from a successful run at the Edinburgh Fringe, a short film made by a group of 23 pupils from Barnes returned home to share an outdoor silver screen with the multi Oscar winning Life of Pi. The London premiere of [Big Trouble in Little Barnes](#) - the curtain raiser to Ang Lee's box office blockbuster - took place at Hampton Court Palace Gardens on Sunday 29 September at 6.30 pm. As well as the two feature films the audience watched a 'making of' documentary which gives a brief insight into how hard the students worked to make the film happen. The 15 minute film is a coming of age melodrama written by the budding filmmakers who attended a week long class at the Barnes Film Academy during the summer holidays. The course offers tuition in all aspects of film making from scriptwriting through to sound, lighting and camerawork. Sam Cullis the founder of the Barnes Film Academy said: "The youngsters had a great time making this film. They learned a lot and should be justifiably proud of what they have achieved. I am so happy for them that we were able to obtain such a great venue to showcase their efforts".

The BFA runs regular film camps for children aged 11-15 during half terms and school holidays Next up is a spooky horror themed course during the October half term holiday where things will be going bump in the night as a new group of would-be filmmakers will be given a chance to create their own film,



Volunteers needed

Daffodil Planting

The Barnes Community Association is appealing for volunteers to help plant daffodil bulbs on Barnes Green on Tuesday October 29 at 10am. They hope to plant at least one thousand daffodils along the edge of Church Road. To help email Russell the Common Keeper

Shop news



Duck Pond Deli

Charlie and Lynne the owners of the newly opened [Duck Pond Deli](#) have been spending the past week getting to grips their state-of-the-art till, their magnificent £6,000 coffee maker which turns out amazing espressos and their very smart orange juicer! All that practice means that they should be on top form to welcome new visitors on their first Saturday in the shop.



The Dining Room Shop

Sadly we've heard of the closure of two shops this week. Kate Dyson who has run the [Dining Room Shop](#) on White Hart Lane for the past 27 years has decided to retire, and will be much missed. There will be a sale of items from the shop on October 11&12 with everything being sold for half the marked price. The shop is now closed in preparation for the sale.

Madame Gautier

Also closing is [Madame Gautier](#) on Church Road. Malcolm from the next door shop Two Peas in a Pod is taking over the space and has exciting expansion plans. Madame Gautier will still

become screen stars and have the chance to scare their family and friends.

Barnes Charity Ball Tickets



Tickets are now on sale for the 2014 Barnes Charity Ball which will be held on Friday February 7 with the theme Friday Night Fever. The Ball is always a sold-out event and ticket applications are available at www.barnescharityball.org with a closing date of November 9.

continue to trade from their stall in the Farmers Market.

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