



# Welcome to *Celebrating Age 2010*

## Eight years on! Enduring aims in a varying framework!

When *Celebrating Age* launched eight years ago, who could have imagined how it would develop and who could have believed that we would still be finding so many new things to do and places to go?

### Our aims remain the same:

- Raising the profile of older people in our community
- Showcasing all that's available to older people in Merton
- Encouraging people to stay healthy, with an activity to suit everyone
- Encouraging inter-generational activities and the sharing of values
- Celebrating the diversity of our community

### What's New this Year?

Responding to your feedback, via the evaluation forms, you'll find the programme offers the exciting mix you have come to expect.

- Key events – *Talkin' 'bout our Generation, Health and Wellbeing Day, Independence Day* – all the information and advice you need to live healthy independent lives!
- New activities and ways to keep fit – walks to suit all levels of fitness; dance for all tastes – tap, Bollywood and ballet; new types of exercise, including Pilates, and tai chi in the park
- More evening and weekend events – dances and dance classes, talks, ten-pin bowling, tai chi and outings
- New technology – join the 21st century (and keep up with the grand-children) with workshops on mobile phones, digital cameras, online shopping and much more
- Inter-generational fun – a community picnic, young volunteers helping with new technology and outings

We've tried to find something for everyone – we hope we have succeeded, but if you have some new ideas, share them with us through the evaluation forms – as always, everyone who completes an evaluation form gets entered in a Prize Draw – so, you are not only helping to shape your Festival, you could win one of this year's exciting prizes as well. **Thank you!**

Now, please **turn to page 2** to find out how the booking works this year!



# Ready! Steady! Go!

## *Celebrating Age 2010!*

**Please take a few minutes to read this information before scanning the programme!**

### **Booking and General Information**



**Festival Line**, Tel 8545 4712, opens on **Monday 19th July and runs Monday to Friday, 9.30 - 3.30, until Tuesday 14th September** – booking details are shown for each event and, unless it says otherwise, do book so that groups know how many people to expect and can plan accordingly. If you are booking for friends or for a group, make sure you have everyone's full name, address including post code and their telephone number. Group booking forms are available on request.

**Festival Line** will again be manned by Festival Volunteers based at CareConnect, on the ground floor at the Civic Centre. Call or visit Festival Line for information and advice on the programme as a whole – we're here to help!

### **Payment and Tickets**

You can pay by cash, cheque or debit card (no card payments for transactions below £5.00). Tickets can be collected weekdays from CareConnect (10.00 - 3.00) or Age Concern Merton (10.00 - 1.00) – please allow three days from payment and confirmation of booking. If you want tickets sent to you, you can either pay for postage at the time of booking, or send us a stamped addressed envelope.

### **Transport and Accessibility**

Check *How do I get There?* at the end of this booklet for full public transport and car parking information for all events.

Almost all events are accessible: the few exceptions are clearly marked.



Where you see this sign next to an event, home pick-up is available to those with mobility problems, on a first come first served basis, but do call Festival Line as soon as you can, so we can plan ahead.



This year, there are even more outings with spaces reserved for those with limited mobility, including Bletchley Park, Winchester, Portsmouth, Westfield. You can bring someone to help, but check the programme for outings where volunteers are available to help you – push wheelchairs, or just lend a helping hand.

### **Outings and Waiting Lists**

As usual, for all outings booked through Festival Line, you can book for one outing and put your name on the waiting list for any other outings you want. Past experience shows that most people on the waiting list will get to go, but only if we know there is sufficient demand to fill additional coaches – so get your name down as soon as possible.

Pick-up points will be Wimbledon and Mitcham, unless otherwise indicated – tickets will show your pick-up point.

Some outings will use minibuses: these are not as comfortable as coaches but allow us to visit different places. Do check when booking if this is an issue for you.

### **Festival Volunteering**

It is not too late to take an active role in the Festival – by becoming a Festival volunteer: if you're interested, call **Sue** at **Age Concern Merton** Tel 8648 5792 or email [sue@ageconcernmerton.org.uk](mailto:sue@ageconcernmerton.org.uk)

### **Cancellations**

Please cancel if you find you can't come – it could give someone else a chance to go instead. If at all possible, refunds will be given for cancellations but these will not be processed until after the Festival. For outings, we can only refund if we can re-sell the seat.

# Let's Try Something New

THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## **Yoga for Beginners** at Raynes Park Library Hall

Join this weekly class and learn simple yoga exercises and techniques with teacher Mano, for spiritual health and wellbeing.

**Free:** but please call **Festival Line** to book your place.

FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 11.30

## **Tai Chi (Yang Style)** at Wimbledon YMCA

Try this simplified form of Tai Chi, to build energy, flexibility and ability to relax. **First session free.** All welcome: just register at reception on arrival.

SUNDAY 5TH, 12TH AND 26TH SEPTEMBER,  
7.00 - 10.00 PM

## **Ballroom Dancing**

at Colliers Wood Community Centre

Join this regular session, and learn to amaze your friends! Instruction in a full range of ballroom dancing, including Latin and jive.

Beginners 7.00 pm, Improvers 8.00 pm, Intermediates 9.00 pm

**£5.00:** call **8542 2977** to book your place.



TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 11.30  
AT THE VESTRY HALL

WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 11.30  
AT WIMBLEDON METHODIST CHURCH

## **Belly Dancing** organised by Age Concern Merton

If you haven't caught up with Lola and the gang yet, dancing at one of the Launches or the Food Fair, why not try one of these classes? Guaranteed to increase your flexibility and balance, and make new friends!

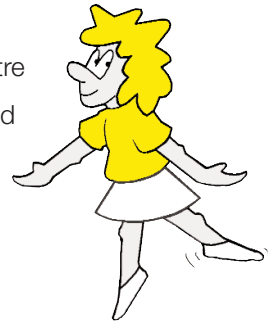
**First session free:** all welcome (wear flat shoes and comfortable clothes).

TUESDAY 7TH, 9.15 - 10.30 PM,  
AND THURSDAY 9TH, 8.30 - 9.45 PM

## **Ballet Classes** for Adults at Colliers Wood Community Centre

You know you've always wanted to have a go! Barre and centre practice for men and women.

**£4.00:** call **8542 2977** to book your place.



WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER, 6.30 - 8.30 PM

## **Ten-Pin Bowling** at Raynes Park, organised by Age Concern Merton

Make up a team or come on your own: enjoy an evening of bowling, make new friends. **£15.00** includes first 2 games, pitcher of beer and mixed food platter.

  Call **Festival Line** to book your place.

WEDNESDAY 8TH AND 22ND SEPTEMBER,  
7.30 - 9.30 PM

## **Tap Dancing** at Colliers Wood Community Centre

Want to be the new Fred Astaire? Come along to this regular weekly session and get started now! Beginners 7.30 - 9.00, Intermediates 8.00 - 9.30


**£4.00:** call **8542 2977** to book your place.

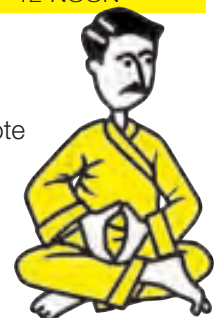
FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## **Qi Gong Techniques**

Wimbledon Library Gallery

Qi gong uses meditation to promote good health: come along and find out more.

 All welcome but venue not suitable for those with mobility problems.



SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 12 NOON

## Open Day at Merton & Morden Guild

Your chance to check out all the activities organised by this friendly Guild: come along, join in and enjoy a light lunch. ☕

**Free:** all welcome, but please call **8640 1640** to book your place

MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 4.00 PM

## Darts Competition at Morden Park Pools

Join this light-hearted darts competition open to all

**£1.00:** pop in to book your place and find out more.

MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 12.00 - 4.30PM

## A Day in the Caribbean at Taylor Road Day Centre

Join Positive Networks in all their activities, singing, entertainment and Caribbean food.



**£5.00:** including lunch and snacks.  
Call **Festival Line** to book.

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 1.00 PM

## Open Day with Merton Goans at South Wimbledon CC



Join this lively group for a celebration of Goan culture and food.

**£4.50:** including lunch: please call **Festival Line** to book your place.



THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12.00

## Beginner's Line Dancing at Donald Hope Library

Get those joints moving with this beginner's session of line dancing. ☕

**£1.50:** please call **8274 5799** to book.

FRIDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 3.30

## Young at Heart at South Mitcham Community Association

Try out this lunch club for the housebound. Socialise, play games and enjoy dinner and refreshments with the group.

**£3.50:** Please call **8648 3740** to book and discuss transport..

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1.30 - 2.30,  
AT POLLARDS HILL CC  
THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 12 NOON  
AT LOWER MORDEN ASSEMBLY ROOMS

## Exercise Taster

Why not start the journey to a new you by trying one of these exercise classes?

All welcome: **first session free** but call **8640 1640** to book your place.



TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 11.00

## Tai Chi Taster at The Endeavour Club, Martin Way

Join Paul Crompton in a taster for Tai Chi which could become a key part of your life.

**First session free:** please call **8640 1640** to book your place.

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 3.30 - 5.50 PM

## Celebrating Mid-Autumn Festival with the Chinese Cultural Group at Wimbledon Guild

Enjoy a tai chi session from 3.30 - 4.00, then a short talk on the Mid-Autumn Festival, and learn more about this group's activities.

**£2.50:** please call **Festival Line** to book your place.

WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 2.00

## A Feast of Tamil Culture at Merton Hall

Join this group in celebrating the arts, crafts and food of the Tamil community.

**£2.50:** including lunch: call **Festival Line** to book your place.

# Improving Your Health, Beauty & Wellbeing

THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 11.30

**Keeping Fit with MMM** at the Church of the Ascension Church Hall, Greenwood Road (off Sherwood Park Road), Pollards Hill

Could be your first steps to a healthier you: enjoy a mixture of everyday movement and dance steps to music from around the world with this friendly group.



**First session free:** call **Festival Line** to book your place.

FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

**Seven Ways to Boost your Self-Confidence and Youthfulness in Minutes**, at Wimbledon Library Gallery

Learn techniques to improve your self-confidence and lead a more fulfilling life.



All welcome but the venue is unsuitable for those with mobility problems.

SATURDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER, 2.15 - 4.00 (APPROX)

**Walk on Mitcham Common** with the Ramblers

Join Melanie and the Ramblers for an easy 3-4 mile circular walk on Mitcham Common with coffee stop halfway at the Ecology Centre. Meet at the bus stop on the bridge by Mitcham Junction Station.

SUNDAY 5TH, 12TH, 19TH AND 26TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 12 NOON

**Tai Chi in the Park**, in Wandle Park

One of the regular summer activities of *Making Colliers Wood Happy* (weather permitting!), a chance to try out gentle Tai Chi and Qi Gong exercises in this class led by an experienced instructor.

All welcome: but if you want to know more, call **Keith** on **07982 721496**.

MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 11.30  
AND WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 2.30 - 3.30

**Gym 'n' Tonic** at Wimbledon YMCA

Be guided through a safe supervised gym workout, to enhance flexibility, strength and coordination. All welcome, register at reception on arrival.

MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 12.00 - 1.00 PM

**Tap Dancing** at Wimbledon YMCA

Missed out first time around? It's never too late to learn – combine fun, fitness and dance in a range of tap dance steps. All welcome.

**First session free:** no tap shoes required just low heels: register at reception on arrival.

MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 5.00 - 6.30 PM

**Falun Gong**, at Raynes Park Library Hall


Falun Gong is a traditional Chinese method to develop mind and body for all age groups. Try simple exercises guided by an expert teacher.

**Free:** but places limited: please call **Festival Line** to book yours. 

TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1.30 - 2.30

**Line Dancing** at Merton & Morden Guild

Try this regular line dancing session with Sylvia and meet new friends.

**First session free:** but please call **8640 1640** to book your place. 



TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

## **Table Tennis** at New Horizon Centre

Come and join in this regular Tuesday afternoon session.

**£2.00:** including refreshments. All welcome. ☕

THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 9.00 - 3.30

## **Lovely Nails** at New Horizon Centre, Pollards Hill

Pamper yourself with a relaxing manicure and nail varnish.

**£5.00:** per 30-minute session. Call **Festival Line** to book your appointment now. ☎️ 🚐

FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 4.00  
(SKIN-CARE WORKSHOP 10.00 - 12.00)

## **Health and Wellbeing Day** coordinated by Age Concern Merton at Wimbledon YMCA

Take a morning workshop on skincare, with practical demonstration and the chance to try out the techniques and take a product home. Buy a delicious lunch in the YMCA café, then an afternoon of complementary and beauty therapy, taster classes, health talks and information. Pharmacists and a practice nurse on call all day and, whether your concern is your general health, mental and physical wellbeing, dementia, diabetes, Parkinsons, anxiety, there will be someone talk to.



**£6.00** for workshop, **£5.00** for 15-minute therapy sessions. Call **Festival Line** to book yourself in now for both, or to reserve a slot with the pharmacists or nurse.

SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER, 3.00 - 5.00 PM

## **Cream Tea and Social Afternoon with Arthritis Care**, Martin Way Methodist Hall

Join this regular monthly meeting for tea and find out more on the support available from Arthritis Care\*.

**Free:** and all welcome: call **8646 0859** if you want to know more. ☕

*\*see also Thursday 2nd, Talk at Morden Library and Friday 10th, Health and Wellbeing Day*

MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 11.45 - 12.30

## **Club Group Exercise Class** at Wimbledon Leisure Centre

Your chance to get a good workout and find out more about the 50+ Club activities.

**£1.50:** please pop in to book your place and find out more.

MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1.00 - 2.00

## **Bollywood Dancing**, at Wimbledon YMCA

Stay active, learning fun dance routines inspired by Bollywood!

**First session free:** all welcome, register at reception on arrival.



MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1.30 - 2.30

## **Keep Fit 50+** at New Horizon Centre

Exercise to music for mobility, strengthening, balance and coordination.



**£2.50:** call **Festival Line** to book your place.

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 11.30 - 12.30

## **Tap Dancing** at Merton & Morden Guild


Eat your heart out, Gene Kelly! Your chance to try this regular weekly tap class. ☕

**First session free:** but please call **8640 1640** to book your place.

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 11.00

## **Pilates** at Wimbledon Guild

Pilates for older people (no mat work!). Strengthen and stretch muscles, especially around the joints, helping to improve mobility and posture.

 **First session free:** places limited, so call **Festival Line** to book your place.

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 11.45 - 2.00 PM

## **Friendly Dominoes** at Wimbledon Leisure Centre




Come and give dominoes a go! A non-competitive friendly atmosphere in which you can learn the rules and have a game, while finding out about the 50+ Club activities at this centre.

**£1.00:** pop in to book your place and find out more.

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 3.30

## **Dance for People with Parkinson's\*** at Wimbledon Guild

Enjoy a unique dance class where those with Parkinson's can explore the potential of their own movements, to live music, in a welcoming, secure and friendly environment.

   Please call **Festival Line** to book your place and discuss transport.

*\*see also Health and Wellbeing Day opposite*

THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 11.00

## **Group Exercise** at Mitcham Library


Join this class and find out more about The Canons 50+ Club and other activities for older people.

**Free:** and all welcome.

FRIDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## **Learn to Relax** at Wimbledon Library Gallery



We all suffer from stress and anxiety at some stage in our lives: Hazel Bate gives an introductory talk about the courses she offers to help deal with stress, anxiety and related health problems.


 All welcome but the venue is unsuitable for those with mobility problems.

FRIDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 11.30

## **How to Look Good... Clothed!** with Marks & Spencer, Colliers Wood (next to Savacentre)

For men and women, with silhouette, complexion and hair colour changing as we get older, it can be hard to match your wardrobe to the new you. This workshop will see M & S personal shoppers sharing their tips and advice on making the best of yourself – a bra fitter will be on hand as well. Take the chance to look around the store, with advice on hand.


  **Free:** numbers limited, so call **Festival Line** to book yours now.

 Volunteers can be provided to push wheelchairs or lend a helping hand.

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 3.00

## **I Move Freely** at Wimbledon Guild

Try these mobilization exercises, which show you how to move more freely in your everyday activities.

 Numbers are limited, so you must call **Festival Line** to book.

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 12.00

## **On Your Bike!** A cycling workshop at the old running track by The Canons in Mitcham

Lost your confidence in cycling? Haven't got a bike at the moment and too scared to start? Fred from *Pedal4Health* offers a one-hour workshop to build up your confidence and point you in the right direction – he even supplies bikes unless you want to bring your own. If you don't think you're up to this, it might be possible to get him to come to your home.

 **£5.00:** call **Festival Line** to book or your place or find out more.

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 12.30 - 4.30 PM

## **Bowls Competition** at The Canons Leisure Centre

Join in a mini-tournament where individuals/teams compete in friendly competition. Your chance to find out about The Canons 50+ Club.

**£1.00:** pop in to book your place and find out more.

# Local History, Nature & Heritage

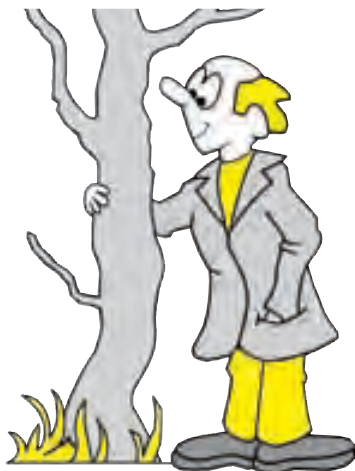
WEDNESDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1.45 - 3.00

## Tree Walk

in Morden Hall Park

Join this favourite walk around the park to discover more about the trees found there. The walk is approx. 2 miles, please dress appropriately.

Call **8545 6850** to book your place.




THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER, 2.30 - 4.00

## Wimbledon Theatre – Then and Now!


at the Studio Theatre


On the Theatre's Centenary, this talk, given by Theatre Manager Alex Robins, compares running the theatre today with the past 100 years. This is an updated and modified version of a talk given to Wimbledon Society by Maralyn Sarrington.


 **Free:** but you must book by calling **Festival Line**.

FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 5.00

## Guided Tour of Wimbledon Lawn Tennis

An all-new Centre Court awaits us on this guided tour of the All-England ground, home of Wimbledon Lawn Tennis, with tea and the opportunity to visit the Museum as well, if you like. 

**£5.00:** places strictly limited, so please call **Festival Line**  now to book!

 This tour is not suitable for people with mobility problems, incorporating steps and uneven ground.






MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 3.00 - 5.00

## Gardeners' Question Time, at Wyevale, Lower Morden Lane

A talk on what to plant now and the chance to ask your questions and find out about Tuesday discounts and the Gardening Club!

**£2.50:** including talk, tea and cake, and even a little goody bag! Transport available to and from Morden Town Centre, if required.



   Call **Festival Line** to book your place.



WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 11.45

## My Local Patch: an Introduction to the Collections of Merton Local Studies Centre at Morden Library




Find out how to use this resource to trace your family, the history of your house or the area where you live. The session involves some standing and walking.

  **Free:** but please book your place by calling **Festival Line**.

THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## Discover West Barnes: a Heritage Quiz at West Barnes Library

Test your knowledge and discover more about the history of West Barnes and Raynes Park with this fun heritage quiz.

   **Free:** but please call **Festival Line** to book your place.



FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 12.30 PM

## **Behind-the-scenes Tour**

at Morden Hall Park

Take a private behind-the-scenes tour of our stable yard as we start the renovation work – this tour is not usually available to visitors. Hear all about our Heart of the Park project and plans to create a Livinggreen Centre.

Call **8545 6850** to book your place (if there's sufficient demand, extra tours may be organised).






SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12.00

## **Tales from the Terraces: Memories of Wimbledon Football Club**

at Morden Library

Were you there in 1988 when the Dons won the FA Cup? Do you remember Saturday afternoons on the terraces at Plough Lane? Why not join this reminiscence session and share your memories of Wimbledon FC. Photographs and other football memorabilia will be on show as reminders of the team's glory days.




   **Free:** but please book your place on **Festival Line**.

MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## **Memories of Mitcham**

at Mitcham Library

This talk follows the reminiscences of Mitcham people and features pictures and objects from the Heritage collection.




   **Free:** but call **Festival Line** to book your place.

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## **Grave Matters: Unusual Tombs and Gravestones in Merton Cemeteries**

at Morden Library

This talk reveals fascinating stories behind tombs and graves in Merton churchyards, featuring everything from family poisonings and Napoleonic exiles, to music hall stars and war heroes.




   **Free:** but call **Festival Line** to book your place.

THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## **William Morris in Merton\***

at Morden Library

A look at the life of the famous 19th century artist and designer, William Morris, and his connections to Merton, including the Morris & Co. Arts & Crafts works at Merton Abbey.

   **Free:** but call **Festival Line** to book your place.



*\*See also Tuesday 21st, Wandle Industrial Museum, and Thursday 23rd, River and Cloth.*

SUNDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 5.00

## **Merton Register Office: Guided Tour and Tea**

hosted by Merton Registrars

This elegant Georgian Grade II listed building will be open for a guided tour and tea, as part of London Open House.

  **Free:** but places limited and you must call **Festival Line** to book your place.

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 12 NOON




## **Hands on History**

at Mitcham Library



Take a closer look at objects associated with Merton's history – from mammoth bones and Roman artefacts to period costume and wartime memorabilia.




   **Free:** but call **Festival Line** to book your place.

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 12 NOON

## **A Short History of Wimbledon: 3,000 years in 30 minutes** at Museum of Wimbledon

Enjoy a talk and slide show which whizz you through the history of Wimbledon.




  **£2.00:** but call **Festival Line** to book.

 Stairs make this venue unsuitable for people with mobility problems.

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

## **Open Afternoon** at Wandle Industrial Museum\*

A glimpse of the Wandle's fascinating industrial past, with a tour of the Museum, film and demonstration of hand-block printing.

   **Free:** with tea and coffee provided. Call **Festival Line** to book your place.

\*see also *Thursday 23rd, River and Cloth and Exhibitions.*

WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1.45 - 3.00


## **Watermeads Walk** organised by National Trust Morden Hall Park

Join this very popular walk, led by the warden, *cont.* ▶

### *Watermeads Walk continued*

exploring this National Trust nature reserve, not usually open to the public.




If you don't book, you will be turned away, so please call the **Property Office** on **8545 6850** to reserve your place.

 This walk includes uneven ground and requires a good level of fitness: please wear sensible shoes and clothes and be prepared for inclement weather.

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## **Discovering Pollards Hill** at Pollards Hill Library

Learn more about Pollards Hill through pictures, maps and local history records linked to the area.

   **Free:** but call **Festival Line** to book.

FRIDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, 3.00 - 4.15

## **The Merton Heritage Quiz** at Raynes Park Library Hall

How much do you really know about your local area? Why not test your knowledge by joining this lighthearted quiz about Merton and its history?

   **Free:** call **Festival Line** to book.

Leisure Centres in **merton**

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#### Activities include:

- Water Workout
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- 55+ group exercise classes such as Yoga, Line Dancing
- 55+ swimming sessions
- Short Tennis\*
- Badminton\*
- Short Mat Bowls\*
- Tabletennis\*

Plus, regular day trips and functions, including friendly sporting tournaments across London boroughs.

So, if you're looking to shape up and socialise, we have something for everyone. Call today and speak to the staff at any of the centres for more information.

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Malden Road  
Mitcham, Surrey CR4 4HD  
Tel: 020 8540 8943

**2 Morden Park Pool**  
London Road  
Morden, Surrey SM4 5HE  
Tel: 020 8540 6727

**3 Wimbledon Leisure Centre**  
Lafiner Road  
Wimbledon SW19 1EW  
Tel: 020 8542 1387




# Social Clubs, Hobby Groups & Pure Entertainment

THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 3.30

## *The Delights of Tuscany with Drake House Club*


Mary Forlenza will delight us with the beautiful landscape, rich artistic legacy and culture of Tuscany, widely regarded as the birthplace of the Italian renaissance. Your chance to check out this Club, with its weekly speaker and socializing.

 **£2.50:** but call **Festival Line** to book your place.

FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 11.30 - 3.30 PM

## *Vintage 21!* at St Mark's Family Centre

Another fun celebration with live music, dancing for the brave, sit-down meal, raffle and quiz. Why not come along and join in?

 **£5.00:** but call **Festival Line** to book for this Festival favourite!

SATURDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER, 4.00 - 7.00 PM

## *Tea Dance* at South Mitcham Community Association

Modern, latin, jive and ballroom, social dancing, glamorous granny competition.

**£4.00:** call **8648 3740** to book your place now.



MONDAY 6TH TO FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 12.00, 2.00 - 4.00, POLLARDS HILL LIBRARY

FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1.00 - 3.00, MITCHAM LIBRARY

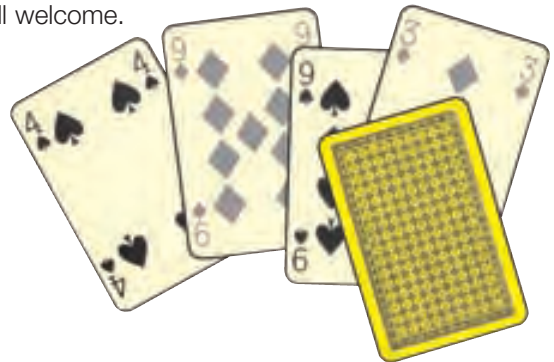
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THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 12.00, DONALD HOPE LIBRARY

## *Games Galore*


Come along and enjoy playing cards, scrabble, board games and puzzles, meet some new people and find out what your local library has to offer.

All welcome.




MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 11.30

## *Get up and Go* at South Mitcham Community Association

Join this regular social group for tea and cakes and a taster session of chair-based exercise led by qualified trainer, Alpa. 




**£2.50:** but please call **8648 3740** to book your place. 

TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 6.00 - 9.00

## **Bangers and Mash and Singalong** at New Horizon Centre




Enjoy a fun evening with good food, a game of bingo, and a singalong to all your old favourites.

 **£5.00:** please call **8679 0305** to book your place.

WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

## **Whist** at New Horizon Centre, Pollards Hill

Keen whist player? A bit rusty? Why not come and try your hand at this regular Wednesday afternoon session.




   **£2.00:** places limited, so please call **Festival Line** to book!

THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 5.00

## **Cream Tea** with Friends in St Helier


Join this friendly group and find out about their activities.



   **£3.50:** but please call **Festival Line** to book.

THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 6.15 - 8.30 PM (APPROX.)

## **Harvest Fish & Chip Candlelit Supper** at Merton & Morden Guild



Supper, music, raffle and bingo with this friendly group. 

**£7.00:** but please book your place on **8640 1640**.

THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 7.45 - 9.45 PM (APPROX.)

## **How Knickers were Made!** with Morden Park Evening Townswomen's Guild, at Morden Methodist Church Hall, Martin Way

Join the monthly meeting of MPETG, enjoy a talk and refreshments and find out about their activities.




  All welcome, but please call **Festival Line** to book, so we know numbers.



FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 2.30

## **A Day with the Goan Elderly** at Taylor Road Day Centre



Spend a relaxing day with this friendly group, enjoying singing and folk dance and a display of member's handiwork.

   **£5.00:** including lunch. Please call **Festival Line** to book.

FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

## **Bridge** at New Horizon Centre, Pollards Hill


Keen bridge player or a bit rusty? Why not join this regular Friday session, make new friends and get your brain working again?

  **£2.00:** but call **Festival Line** as places are limited.

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 1.30 - 3.00

## **Tuesday Treat** at Merton & Morden Guild




Join this friendly group for a musical afternoon followed by high tea.

**£4.00:** please call **8640 1640** to book your place for this popular weekly date! 

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

## **Open Meeting of Morden Women's Institute**, at St Lawrence Church Hall, Central Road, Morden




A chance to join the Morden WI at their regular monthly meeting, enjoy a talk on beekeeping and find out more about their activities.

   **50p:** payable on door, but numbers limited, so call **Festival Line** to book.

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 2.30 - 4.00 PM

## **Old Mitcham: A Talk with Slides** at SS Peter and Paul's Drop-in Centre




Come along to the Drop-in Club's regular weekly meeting and enjoy a fun social afternoon, with Tony Scott's slides and stories about Mitcham.

   **Free:** but please book with **Festival Line**, so we know numbers.

THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 3.30

**My Life as a Councillor** with Mitcham Afternoon Townswomen's Guild at Mitcham Baptist Hall




Maxi Martin, Labour Councillor and ex-Mayor of Merton, talks about her life as a Councillor.

   **Free:** but call **Festival Line** to book.

FRIDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER, 12.30 - 3.00


**Taste of the Caribbean** with Merton Oasis (ACES) at St Mark's Church, Mitcham

Join ACES' regular weekly meeting with line dancing, entertainment and lunch.


   **£5.00:** but call **Festival Line** to book.

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

**Afternoon Tea and Flower Arranging** with Young at Heart Club, North East Mitcham CA

Join this regular Monday get-together and have a go at flower-arranging if you want. Or book yourself in for a home-cooked lunch beforehand. 



**50p** on door (Lunch, if required, **£3.50**) – please call **8640 4158** to book. 

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

**Tea Dance** at New Horizon Centre, Pollards Hill




Get your dancing shoes on and try this regular Monday session.

  **£3.00:** but call **Festival Line** to book.

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 11.30 - 3.00

**Songs of Praise and Leisure Day** at Morden Baptist Church

Enjoy lunch, a church service and tea, and find out about the Church's Leisure Day.




   **£3.50:** including lunch and tea: call **8540 9380** to book.



THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1.30 - 4.00

**Music in the Afternoon** at Age Concern Merton


Join our monthly drop-in for an afternoon of friendly chat, cream tea, and music from the London Mozart Players. Lunch available beforehand (£3.60), if booked, or come for Scrabble and spend the whole day here.

   **Free:** numbers strictly limited, so call **Festival Line** to book your place!

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 6.00 - 9.00PM

**Ceilidh Night**

at New Horizon Centre


Enjoy a lively evening of ceilidh music and tuck into Irish stew and a hot Irish pudding! 

**£5.00:** call **8679 0305** to book.



FRIDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, 5.00 - 9.00 PM

**Fish and Chip Supper** at Eastways Day Centre



Join this Festival standard for a good tuck-in with live musical entertainment. 

**£7.10:** please call **8274 5755** to book your place.

SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER, 6.30 - 11.30PM

**Caribbean Party** at Merton Hall

Positive Networks and WIFFA invite you back to Merton Hall for delicious Caribbean food and lively entertainment with DJ. Cash bar.

   **£8.00:** but please call **Festival Line** to book.

# Get Out And About and Make New Friends

WEDNESDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER, 9.00 AM - 6.00 PM

**Tour of Winchester Cathedral** organised by Merton Community Transport

Minibus trip to Winchester, including a tour of the Cathedral and plenty of time to look around the town. Some places reserved for people with mobility problems, who must bring their own carer/wheelchair pusher: do call as soon as possible!



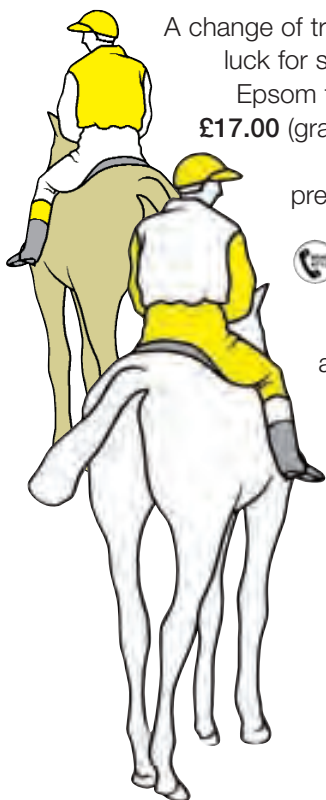
**£12.00:** including tour and transport. Please call **Festival Line** to book your place.



Some places reserved for people with mobility problems, who must bring their own carer/wheelchair pusher: do call as soon as possible.

THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER, 12.30 - 6.00 PM

**Racing at Epsom Downs** organised by Age Concern Merton



A change of track (and maybe a change of luck for some!) – this year we're off to Epsom for an afternoon's flat racing.

**£17.00** (grandstand and transport only):

Wear sensible shoes and be prepared for inclement weather!



Call **Festival Line** to book.



We shall be running an accessible minibus as well as the coach: people with mobility problems are welcome, provided they bring a carer, but please book early to allow us to plan ahead!

THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER, 7.30 - 11.00 PM

**Colliers Wood Ball** at GJ's Bar, 62 High Street, Colliers Wood

Why not try out this monthly gig: dancing to period records and live music from R & B artiste "Dee"? Five minutes of instruction before each set of dances, will soon have you tripping the light fantastic to the waltz, tango, rumba and who knows what else!

**£5.00:** please call **8542 2977** to book.

SATURDAY, 4TH AND 25TH SEPTEMBER, 12.00 - 6.00 PM (APPROX.)

**Pub Lunch and Drive**, organised by Merton & Morden Guild

Meet at the Guild to enjoy a pub lunch and a lovely country drive.


**£5.00** (transport only): call **8640 1640** book your place.

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SATURDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER, 6.00 - 10.30 PM

**Filipiniana Night** at Colliers Wood Community Centre

Join the Mitcham Filipino British Association for an exuberant evening, showcasing folk dances, music and food from the Philippines. 



**£8.00:** but please call **Festival Line** to book.

MONDAY, 6TH AND 13TH SEPTEMBER,  
9.00 AM - 7.00 PM (APPROX.)

**Day Trip to the Cotswolds** organised by Merton & Morden Guild

Board the trusty minibus to the villages of the Cotswolds and enjoy Fred's famous tour of the area.

**£15.00** (transport only): please call **Anne** on **8640 1640** to book.



TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 AM ONWARDS

**River Trip to Hampton Court**, organised by Age Concern Merton

After last year's enjoyable run downriver, this year we head upriver from Richmond through Teddington Lock and on to Hampton Court. Bring a picnic, have a stroll along the river bank, grab a pub lunch or tackle Hampton Court itself, then take the train back home.


**£5.80** (boat only): numbers are limited, so call **Festival Line** to book your place now.

WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 -4.00PM

**Shopping Trip to Westfield**, organised by Merton Community Transport

Enjoy a day at spanking new West London shopping centre, Westfield. **£7.00** (transport only) – numbers limited.

  Call **Festival Line** to book your place.

 Some spaces reserved for people with mobility problems. You can either bring a carer or we can provide volunteers to help.

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 9.15 - 5.30

**Coach Trip to Chichester**, coordinated by Carers Support Merton

Did you know Chichester is the only English cathedral whose spire can be seen from the sea? Visit this historic market town, see the cathedral, Roman walls, Tudor market cross, award-winning Art Gallery, and a wide range of shopping!

**£13.00** (coach only).  Call **Festival Line** to book.

**NB:** This outing leaves from The Vestry Hall, Mitcham


THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 6.00 PM


**England's Maritime History – A Day Trip to Portsmouth**

organised by Age Concern Merton

Enjoy a run down to Portsmouth to explore the Historic Dockyard, visit Nelson's flagship, the *Victory*, enjoy a talk about the *Mary Rose*, and all the other interesting maritime history on view. If that doesn't wear you out, go on to Gunwharf Quays to enjoy Spinnaker Tower, outlet shops and harbourside cafes.

**£24.50** (including full access to Historic Dockyard) or **£13.00** (transport only).

 Call **Festival Line** now to book your place.

 People with mobility problems welcome: we can provide volunteers to help.

THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2.30 - 4.30

**Irish Tea Dance** at the Thursday Club, 140 Hartfield Road, Wimbledon

A Festival favourite – join the Thursday Club at their regular weekly meeting, for a dance and some Irish hospitality.

**£3.00:** Please call **8393 1949** to book your place.



SATURDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 3.00

**North Downs Walk**, organised by Age Concern Merton

Meet at Age Concern for minibus to the start of the walk, where we can grab a coffee. Enjoy a bracing walk along the North Downs Way, passing Reigate Fort (NT members – bring your cards!). Although mainly pretty flat, there is some uneven ground and this is only for regular walkers wearing sensible shoes. After the walk, we adjourn to the Blue Ball in Walton-on-the-Hill for lunch before the run home. Be prepared for inclement weather – bring water, sun cream, hat, waterproof!

**£5.00** (transport only): numbers strictly limited, so



call **Festival Line** now to book.

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 9.30 - 5.00 PM (APPROX.)

**Return to RAF Museum, Hendon** organised by Merton & Morden Guild

After last year's successful trip, travel to Hendon by minibus for another chance to enjoy museum volunteer Peter Steiner's fascinating guided tour.




**£5.00:** please call **8640 1640** to book your place.

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 6.00 PM

**Guided Tour of Bletchley Park** organised by Age Concern Merton

A guided tour of world-famous Bletchley Park, home of the Enigma code-breakers, the Churchill Collection, and much more.



**£30.00:** including transport, guided tour, morning and afternoon refreshments and sandwich lunch.  



Call **Festival Line** now to book your place.



People with mobility problems welcome: we can provide volunteers to help.

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, STARTING AT 10.30AM

**Ramble Wimbledon Common (Part Two)**

with Colliers Wood Ramblers

After last year's successful outing, here's the chance to join this walking group on a vigorous stroll over the Common, and find out about their regular walks. Meet at the War Memorial.

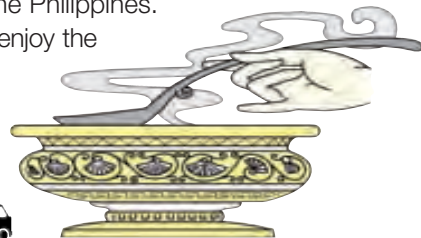


**Free:** just call **Festival Line** to book your place.

FRIDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 2.00

**International Food Fair** at The Hub

Even more exotic tastes to tickle your taste buds! Entertainment from new and exciting parts of the world, including the Philippines. Come along and enjoy the exciting cultural mix which is our community of Merton.



All welcome. 

## We Celebrate Age All Year Round!

New Horizon Centre offers a range of services and activities for the over-50's

### Lunch Club

Monday to Friday  
12.00pm – 2.00pm

Call Christine on 8679 0305 to learn more

### Activities

- Keep Fit • Tea Dance • Everywoman Club
- Ballroom Dancing • Bridge • Table Tennis
- Friendship Club

Call Lindsey on 8764 5157 to learn more

### Community Café (open to all ages)

Monday and Friday, 8.00a.m. - 1.30p.m.  
Tuesday and Wednesday, 11.30a.m. - 1.30p.m.  
Thursday, 9.00a.m. - 1.30p.m.

**All welcome!**

New Horizon Centre,  
South Lodge Avenue, Pollards Hill CR3 1LT

# Exhibitions & Displays

## Libraries

All these exhibitions are free and can be seen during library opening hours, as follows:

**Donald Hope, Pollards Hill, Raynes Park and West Barnes:** open Monday to Saturday, 9.30am - 12.30pm, 1.30 - 7.00pm (5.00pm Saturday) - Weds. closed

**Mitcham, Morden and Wimbledon:** open Monday to Friday, 9.30am - 7.00pm (9.30am - 1.00pm Wednesday), 9.30am - 5.00pm Saturday

WEDNESDAY 1ST TO SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

### ***Tickets Please! Merton's Railway Heritage*** at Morden Library

A photographic display charting the history of the borough's rail services from the age of steam to diesel and electric trains.

THURSDAY 2ND TO SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER  
AT MITCHAM LIBRARY

### ***A Snapshot of Fair Green***

Historic photographs feature the many characters, events, shops and buildings at the heart of Mitcham.

SATURDAY 4TH TO SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER  
AT DONALD HOPE LIBRARY

### ***The Changing Face of Merton High Street***

Historic photographs show how one of Merton's major roads has changed over the decades, through images of local shops, transport, industry and events.

SATURDAY 4TH TO SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER  
AT POLLARDS HILL LIBRARY

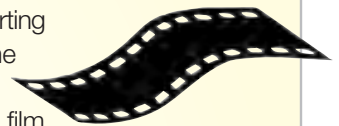
### ***A Walk Round Pollards Hill***

A display of historic photographs showing places, people and events associated with this area.

SATURDAY 4TH TO SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER  
AT WIMBLEDON LIBRARY

### ***The Flickering Screen: Film and the Cinema in Merton***

A photographic display charting Merton's connections to the world of moving pictures, from the pioneers of silent film to local film studios and Merton cinemas.



MONDAY 6TH TO SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER AT  
WEST BARNES LIBRARY

### ***Did you Know...? Aspects of West Barnes History***

How much do you know about West Barnes? The display will boost your knowledge of the people, places and events that have shaped the area.

THURSDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER,  
AT POLLARDS HILL LIBRARY


### ***Brushing Effectively***

An exhibition on the importance of good oral hygiene. Demonstration of good brushing techniques, information leaflets and free samples.

THURSDAY 17TH TO THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER,  
10.00 - 5.00 AT MERTON ABBEY MILLS

### ***River and Cloth***


This exhibition traces the work of Merton's River and Cloth project, with a programme of activities including taster sessions in textile techniques and a fascinating lecture on Merton's textile industry.

All welcome.  **Free:** but please call **Festival Line** to book your place.

SATURDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2.30 - 5.00,

### ***Open Afternoon*** at the Museum of Wimbledon

Enjoy a special exhibition alongside the regular exhibits.

**Free:** donations welcome.  Stairs make this venue unsuitable for people with mobility problems.

## Your Day-by-Day Guide to What's On and Where!

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## New Technology at Your Service!

MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2.30 - 4.00  
TUESDAY 14TH & WEDNESDAY 22ND  
SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12.00

### **Introduction to Nintendo Wii**

at Wimbledon Guild



Learn how to use Nintendo Wii to improve fitness, brain power – and show the grandchildren how to do it! No experience needed: we will guide you in the basics.

 **Free:** but places limited, so please call **Festival Line** to book yours.

TUESDAY 7TH AND TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER,  
11.00 - 12.00

### **Computer Workshop: Excel for Beginners**, at Morden Library



Excel is the ideal program to handle all your household accounts, investments, etc. Come along to this introductory session, and find out about further training available at your library.

  Numbers strictly limited: so you must call **Festival Line** to book your place.

THURSDAY 9TH AND THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER,  
11.00 - 12 NOON

### **Computer Workshop: Emails for Beginners**, at Morden Library


Find out how to set up and use free email, along with hints and tips on getting the best out of email usage.

  Numbers strictly limited: so you must call **Festival Line** to book your place.

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 4.30 - 5.30 PM  
AT POLLARDS HILL LIBRARY

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 12.00  
AT MORDEN LIBRARY

### **Get Using your Mobile**

Afraid to text? Need any other help in using your mobile? Volunteers will be happy to answer any questions you may have. All welcome. 

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12.30

### **Get More out of your Nokia Mobile Phone** at Wimbledon Guild

Mobile phones are all different so, if yours is a Nokia, find out how to use it better – making and receiving calls and texts.



  **£5.00:** numbers are strictly limited. Call **Festival Line** to book.

WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 11.00

### **Computer Workshop: The Basics** at Wimbledon Guild

A taster for technophobes! Completely new or completely averse to computers? Learn the basics on how computers work and how they can help you. This could lead to a beginners' class later






  **Free:** but places strictly limited and you must call **Festival Line** to book.

WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 12.00 - 1.00 PM

### **Computer Workshop: Buying a Computer** at Wimbledon Guild

Thinking of buying your first computer, or needing to upgrade? Come along to find out what to consider, what to ask and what to be aware of before you make your purchase.

   **£2.50:** places strictly limited and you must call **Festival Line** to book.

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 11.30

## Computer Workshop: Digital Photo-Editing at Wimbledon Guild

Learn how to connect your camera to the computer, and how your computer can help make the most of your photos. You must already have a working email address and a digital camera! Just one of Wimbledon Guild's extensive range of courses.



**£3.00:** places strictly limited and you must call **Festival Line** to book.

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 12.00 - 1.00

## Computer Workshop: Online Shopping at Wimbledon Guild

Online shopping is becoming more and more common: if you are already happy with using the internet, come along and find out more about the do's and don'ts of shopping online.



**£2.50:** places are strictly limited and you must call **Festival Line** to book.

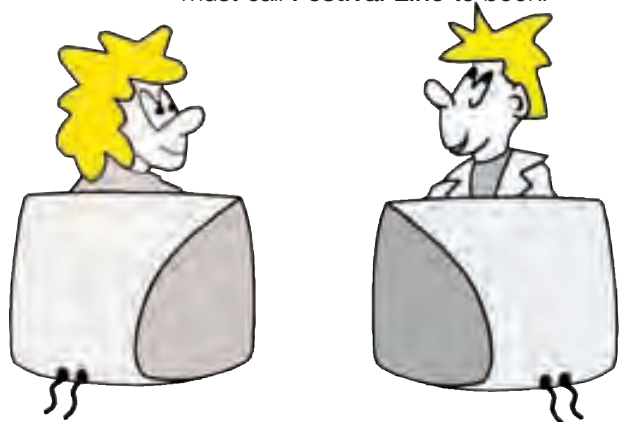
FRIDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 3.00

## Computer Workshop: General Help Session at Wimbledon Guild

This session is for those using a computer at home: get help with sending emails, downloading and uploading, deciphering error messages, printing, etc. Just bring along your questions and we shall try to help.



**£2.50:** places strictly limited and you must call **Festival Line** to book.



## Who cares in Wimbledon?



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# Let's Find Out More

WEDNESDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.30

**Talkin' 'bout my Generation IV\*** organised by Merton Seniors at The Hub

Your annual invitation to boogie on down to The Hub for a lively afternoon with disco and DJ, and the chance to hear about the launch of LBM's revised Older People's Housing Strategy, and an update on their Older People's Strategy.

  **Free:** and all welcome.



*\*see also Independence Day below*



THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

**Coffee Morning – Arthritis Care\*** at Morden Library




For people suffering from arthritis, a representative from charity, Arthritis Care will be talking about arthritis and answering your questions. All welcome

  *\*see also Friday 10th, Health and Wellbeing Day, and Saturday 11th, Arthritis Care Meeting*

MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 3.00 PM

**Independence Day\*** coordinated by Age Concern Merton at Baitul Futuh Mosque

Find out what help is available to enable you to continue living safely and independently – and get advice on heating and insulating your home. Book in at 10.00am and move around the room, meeting with Trading Standards, Police, Fire Brigade, Mascot, Advocacy Partners, and talk to Merton Seniors about the importance of heating your home and how to do it cost-effectively. Flat-pack furniture master class and advice on mobility scooter safety.


   All welcome: a shuttle bus will operate to and from Morden Town Centre from 9.45 – call **Festival Line** to book this service.

*\*see also Tuesday 21st, Cycle4Life, Tuesday 7th, and 14th, Thursday 23rd, Avoiding Scams*

TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON  
(PLUS LUNCH, IF DESIRED)

**Walk on Mitcham Common** with SS Peter and Paul's Drop-in Club

Join this friendly group for a walk around the common, taking in the major ponds, then on for lunch afterwards, if you like. Meet at the Mill House, Windmill Road

 All welcome, but you must call **Festival Line** to book.





TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 1.30 PM  
AT MERTON VISION

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00  
AT THE THURSDAY CLUB, HARTFIELD ROAD

**Avoiding Doorstep Crime and Distraction Burglary\***

Merton Trading Standards, the Met. Police's Crime Prevention team and your local Neighbourhood Wardens present practical guidelines to help you avoid becoming a victim. **Free** and all welcome.

  *\*see also Monday 6th, Independence Day*

THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 3.30

**Open Day** with London South-West Chinese CA, at Taylor Road Day Centre

This friendly Chinese group extend a hearty welcome to a day of Chinese food and activities, Qi Gong, Tai Chi, Chinese painting, singing and dancing.

**£5.00:** including lunch: please call **Festival Line** to book your place.



TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON

## **Don't Get Caught Out\*** at West Barnes Library

Merton Trading Standards advise on how to avoid the latest scams, doorstep crime and your rights.




All welcome.   

*\*see also Monday 6th, Independence Day*



WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.30

## **Inside the U3A**, at Morden Park Baptist Church,

Merton's University of the Third Age (U3A) encourages adult life-long learning, fun and friendship and offers monthly talks and other events. Membership gives free access to groups covering the arts, leisure, outdoor activities, needlework, current affairs, etc. Enjoy demonstrations, displays and a short talk. All welcome.   

THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1.30 - 3.30

## **Fun Quiz and Afternoon Tea** with Raynes Park Afternoon Townswomen's Guild, at St Saviour's Church Hall, Grand Drive



Come along and meet this friendly group at their regular monthly meeting, and find out more.






All welcome, but please call **Festival Line** to book, so we have an idea on numbers.

THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00,  
FRIENDSHIP CLUB

TUESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00,  
EVERYWOMAN CLUB

at New Horizon Centre, Pollards Hill



Your chance to check out these weekly social get-togethers, meet new and old friends, enjoy a friendly chat, game of bingo and weekly raffle.

   **£1.50:** call **Festival Line** so we know numbers.

FRIDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 5.00

## **Benefits Health Check Afternoon**, at Mitcham Citizens' Advice Bureau



Join us for afternoon tea and biscuit whilst we answer questions you may have about benefit entitlement.

  **Free:** but booking essential: call **8228 0447**.

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 AM TO 3.30 PM

## **Open Day at Merton Vision\***

Merton Vision exists to help people with visual impairment: here's your chance to try out some of the activities available, including IT and Art, and talk to staff about the services on offer.

  **Free:** and all welcome, but call **8540 5446** if you want to know more.

*\*see also Friday 10th, Health & Wellbeing Day*

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12 NOON




## **CareConnect Coffee Morning** at West Barnes Library

Enjoy a coffee morning and learn about the information service offered by CareConnect covering health, social, community and care. All welcome.

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12.00

## **Scrabble Competition** at Age Concern Merton

Come along and check out our Scrabble Club and take part in a friendly competition. Then why not stay on for lunch (**£3.60**) and our Monthly Drop-in?

   **First session free (£2.00 thereafter, including refreshments):** please call **Festival Line** to book or find out more.

SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1.00 - 4.00 PM

## **Open Day** at the Baitul Futuh Mosque, Morden

An opportunity to visit the largest mosque in Western Europe, centre of the Ahmadiyya Muslim community. The afternoon will comprise a tour, and the opportunity to meet with a member of the community for a question-and-answer session.

  Call **Festival Line** to book your place.

SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER, 2.15 - 5.00

**Celebrating Age Lecture** with Wimbledon National Trust Association at Christ Church Hall, Cottenham Park Road, West Wimbledon

A special September lecture for the Festival and the chance to check out the Association's activities.

☕ **£3.50** (non-members): please call **8540 6754** to book your place.

SUNDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 5.00

**Community Picnic**  
at Acacia Intergenerational Centre

Bring along the family and your own picnic, to enjoy an afternoon, try out the facilities and perhaps have a go in the Adventure Playground. Everyone is welcome.

☎ ☕ **Free:** call **Festival Line** to book your place and find out more.



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# Try Your Hand at Arts & Crafts

WEDNESDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 10.00 - 12.00

**Craft and Card-Making** at the New Horizon Centre, Pollards Hill

Join this friendly group who meet every week for card-making and a chat.



**£2.00:** payable on door, so just call **Festival Line** to book so we have an idea on numbers.



FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 2.30 - 4.00

**Poetry Reading through the Ages** with Edge Hill Friendship Group

Join this group at their regular monthly meeting for an enjoyable afternoon sharing your favourite poems.



**Free:** (donations welcome), numbers limited, so please call **Festival Line** to book.

WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER, 7.30 - 8.00PM

**Murder in the Library** a play at Wimbledon Library Gallery

A murder mystery play by Michael Norman-Smith, local actor, writer, dramatist and library patron.



**£2.00:** call **Festival Line** to book.



Venue unsuitable for those with mobility problems.



FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

**Flower Arranging Workshop** at Donald Hope Library

Enjoy a friendly session with expert Peggy and make your own floral display to take home (please bring your own scissors, if possible).

**£5.00:** numbers are limited

so please call **8274 5799** to book your place.



SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 AM - 5.00 PM

**Meena Bazaar**, at Wimbledon Library Gallery

An exhibition of Asian arts, crafts, jewellery, ethnic clothing and food. Items available for sale.



All welcome but venue unsuitable for those with mobility problems.

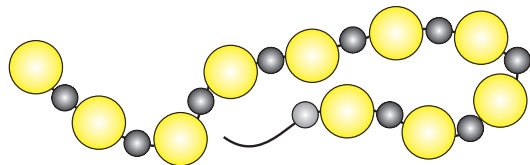
MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

**Jewellery-Making** at Raynes Park Library

Join this regular session to learn techniques to make your own jewellery using semi-precious stones.



**First session free:** but you must call **Festival Line** to book.



TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.00

**Creative Crochet** at Donald Hope Library

Ever wanted to have a go at crochet? Here's your chance!



**Free:** Call **8274 5799** to book your place.

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 2.00 - 4.30

## Poetry Please at Age Concern Merton

Bring along a favourite poem, or favourite passage (not too long!) – it could be one of your own – to read and share over tea and biscuits.



**Free:** numbers limited.

Call **Festival Line** to book your place.

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1.30 - 2.30

## Singing for All at The Vestry Hall

Come along and try out this friendly group – all welcome!



**First session free:** but please call **8640 1640** to book your place.



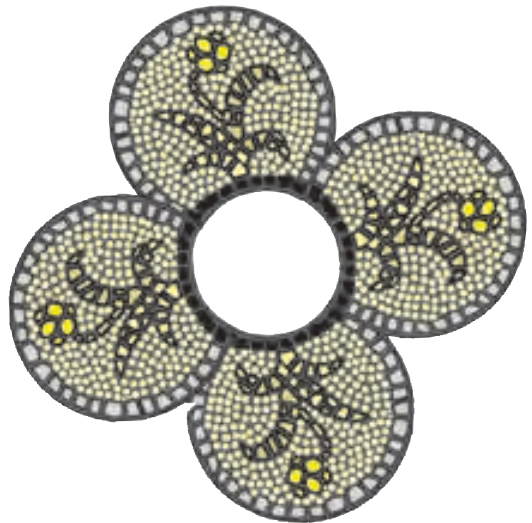
THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1.00 - 3.00

## Mosaic Workshop at the Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park

Discover a variety of techniques for making mosaics. Design and make your own flower pot, mirror or coaster.



**£3.00:** to be paid in cash to confirm booking. Call the **Property Office** on **8545 6850** to reserve your place.



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FRIDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 - 12.30

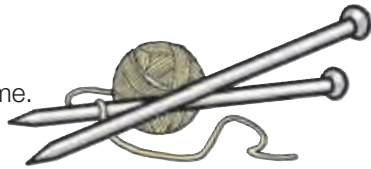
## Knitting Session at Mitcham Library

Come and learn how to knit or pick up some new techniques.



**Free:**

All welcome.



MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 11.30

## Knitting Club at Wimbledon Guild

Enjoy knitting or want to learn? Join other enthusiasts with advice, support and socialising.



**Free:** but places limited, so please call **Festival Line** to book.

WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 10.30 - 12.30

## Art Class and Exhibition at Age Concern Merton

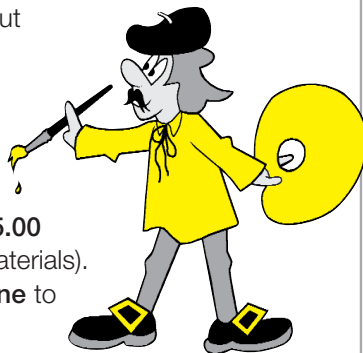
Check out this friendly class, and see some of the work done so far – maybe stay on for lunch (£3.60) and find out more about our Activity Centre.



All welcome.

**First session free: (£5.00** thereafter, including materials).

Please call **Festival Line** to book or find out more.



WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 2.30 - 5.00 (APPROX.)

## The Rivals at Richmond Theatre, organised by Age Concern Merton

Enjoy Sheridan's bawdy romp, with Penelope Keith and Peter Bowles (stars of TV's *To the Manor Born*) – a delightful comedy of romance, fury and deception.



**£16.00** (stalls):

people with mobility problems are welcome. Call **Festival Line** to book and discuss transport.

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 10.00 - 12 NOON

## Block Printing Workshop\* led by River and Cloth at Mitcham Library

Learn how the traditional technique of block printing was developed, as well as more modern methods, and have a go yourself.



**Free:** call **Festival Line** to book.

\*See also Tuesday 22nd, Wandle Industrial Museum, and Exhibitions, River and Cloth.

THURSDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 10.00 - 1.00 PM

## Art Appreciation at The National Portrait Gallery organised by Age Concern Merton

Meet at Wimbledon Station to travel up together to visit the National Portrait Gallery and explore the collection in company with a Gallery volunteer. Afterwards, go on for lunch in St Martin in the Fields, take a picnic to Trafalgar Square, or wherever your fancy takes you!



**Free:** transport and support available for those with mobility problems: call **Festival Line** to discuss.

FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 7.00 - 8.00 PM

## Comedy Show by Like Minds Drama Group, at Wimbledon Library Gallery

Jo Stone, local dramatist, actor and director, presents an evening of humorous anecdotes, classic comic sketches and more.



**£2.00:** please call **Festival Line** to book.






Venue unsuitable for those with mobility problems.






# How Do I Get There?



## Public Transport and Car Parking Information for all Venues



Clear instructions on how to get to all the Festival venues using public transport, and car parking information. You can check the addresses and telephone numbers of organisations in the Directory at the back of the book. (*Figures in brackets*) indicate the time to walk to the venue.

 For those with mobility problems, many events have **Festival transport** available (marked )  
Call  **Festival Line** on **8545 4712** to arrange – otherwise, you have your Taxicard, or Dial-a-Ride, so there's no excuse to miss out.

**Age Concern Merton**  118, 200, 201, 270, 280, 355, S1;  (on-street)

**Baitul Futuh Mosque**  118, 157, 163, 164, 201, 293 (10 mins);  Morden (10 mins);  (on-site)



**Christ Church Hall**, Cottenham Park Road  
 200;  (on-road)

**Church of the Ascension**  (5 mins) 60, 118, 152, 255;  (on-road)



**Civic Centre** – see *Libraries* – Morden



**Colliers Wood Community Centre**  57, 131, 152, 200, 219;  Colliers Wood;  (on-site & street)

**Commonside Community Devt Trust** (formerly *New Horizon/Pollards Hill CC*) – see *Libraries* – Pollards Hill

**David Lloyd (Bowling)**  164;  (on-site)

**Drake House** – see *Wimbledon Guild* (behind on *St George's Road*)

**Eastway Day Centre**  413 (5 mins), 164 (10 mins);  (on-site)




**Endeavour Club**, Leamington Ave (off Martin Way)  
 164, 413;  (on-street)

**Friends in St Helier** St George's Church  470;  
 (on-street)




**GJ's Bar** – see *Colliers Wood CC* (next door)

**Inter-generational Centre**  152;  Eastfields (2 mins);  (on-street)




**Leisure Centres** (Greenwich Leisure)



**The Canons:**  (5 mins) 118, 127, 264, 270, 280, 355, S1;  (10 mins) Mitcham Junction;  (on-site)




**Morden Park Pools:**  (3 mins) 80, 93, 154;  Morden South;  Morden;  (pay-&-display)



**Wimbledon:**  57, 93, 200, 219;  South Wimbledon (5 mins);  (meter)




### Libraries




**Donald Hope:**  57, 131, 152, 200, 470;  Colliers Wood;  (Priory)




**Mitcham:**  152, 264, 270, 280, 355;  (small on-site)



**Morden:**  80, 93, 118, 163, 164, 254, 257, 470, K5;  Morden;  (pay-and-display/5 mins)



**Pollards Hill:**  60, 152, 255, 118 (5 mins);  (on-site/on-street)

**Raynes Park:**  K5, 152, 163, 57, 131, 164, 200 (short walk);  Raynes Park;  (meters)




**West Barnes:**  K5;  Motspur Park (5 mins);  (limited on-site)



**Wimbledon:**  57, 93, 163, 164, 200, 493, K5;  South Wimbledon;  (meters or Car Pks)

**Lower Morden Assembly Rooms** (Beverley Roundabout)  163, 413;  yes



**Marks & Spencer**, Colliers Wood/Merton Abbey Mills, Watermill Way SW19 2LP  57, 131, 200, 219;  (on-site/Savacentre)




**Martin Way Methodist Hall**  164;  Merton Park

**Merton & Morden Guild**  118, 154, 157, 163, 201, 293, 413;  Morden;  (pay-&-display)

**Merton Hall**  57, 103, 143, 152, 219;  South Wimbledon

**Merton Heritage & Local Studies Centre** – see *Libraries* – Morden

**Merton Register Office** (behind *Morden Park Pools*)  (5 mins) 80, 93, 154;  (pay-&-display)


**Merton Vision**  (5 mins) 57, 152, 200, 470, 219, 493;  (on-site);  Colliers Wood



**Mitcham CAB** see *Age Concern Merton*




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**Mitcham Baptist Hall** – see *Libraries* – Mitcham

**Mitcham Common/Mill House** (for *Mitcham Common Walk*)  264;  Beddington Lane; 

**Morden Baptist Church** – see *Libraries* – Morden  
 (on-site & on-street)



**Morden Hall Park** (for *Snuff Mill*)  80, 93, 118, 154, 163, 164, 420, 440, 493, S4;  Phipps Bridge (10 mins);  (Garden Centre)

**Morden Methodist Church Hall**, Martin Way (corner Buckleigh Ave)  163, 164;  Merton Park;  (on-site)

**Morden Park Baptist Church**, Lower Morden Road  
 163, 293, 413;  (on-site & street)



**Museum of Wimbledon**  93, 200, 493;  
 (metered on-street – 5 mins)



**New Wimbledon Theatre (and Studio Theatre)**  
(see *YMCA*)

**North East Mitcham CC**  127, 201 (3 mins);  
 (on-site)

**Pollards Hill CC** – see *Libraries* – Pollards Hill

**Sacred Heart, Edge Hill**  57, 131 (*Worple Rd*),  
200 (*Ridgway*);  (on-site)

**St Lawrence Parish Hall** (corner *Green Lane/Epsom Road*)  93;  (pay-&-display *Morden Park Pool*)




**St Mark's Church/St Mark's Family Centre**  
 (10 mins) 118, 127, 152, 200, 201, 264,  
270, 280, 355;  (on-street)




**SS Peter & Paul's Church (talk)**  127, 200, 201  
(5 mins);  Morden Road (10 mins);  (on-street)






**St Saviour's Church**  163;  Raynes Park  
(10 mins);  (on-street)





**South Mitcham CA**  200,  Phipps Bridge;  
 (on-street)


**South Wimbledon CC**  200; Haydons Road;  
 South Wimbledon;  (on-site)



**Taylor Road Day Centre**  264, 280, 355 (10 mins);  
 Tooting,  (on-street)

**The Hub**, Bishopsford Road (*Mitcham Football Ground*)  118, 280;  Mitcham (10 mins);  
 (on-site)






**Thursday Club (Irish Centre)**  163, 164;  
 Hartfield Road;   Wimbledon (walk);  
 (meters)





**Vestry Hall/Wandle Industrial Museum**  118,  
127, 152, 200, 264, 270, 280, 355;  Mitcham  
(10 mins);   (on-street)



**Wandle Park**  57;  Colliers Wood;  
 Wandle Park via *Baltic Close*






**War Memorial, Wimbledon Village** (for *Ramble*)  
 93, 200 (10 mins);  (on-road)

**Watermeads** – see *The Hub*

**Wimbledon Guild**  57, 93, 131, 163, 164, 200,  
496;    Wimbledon;  St George's  
Road Car Park (+ meters)

**Wimbledon Lawn Tennis**  493, 200 (5 mins);  
   Wimbledon (15 mins)

**Wimbledon Methodist Church**  57, 93, 219,  
493;  South Wimbledon (5 mins)

**Wimbledon YMCA**  57, 93; 163, 164 (5 mins);  
   Wimbledon (10 mins);  
 (pay-&-display)

**Wyevale Garden Centre**  (7 mins) 80, 93, 163,  
293;  (on-site)

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