

Canning & Clyde Road Residents Association

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Wonderful Tree Edition

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AGM - informative and social

Tuesday 13 May, 7.30 pm

Edward Jobson Court, Canning Road (big red brick building three doors to the right of the church)

You are warmly invited to our Annual General Meeting (AGM). For those new to our two roads - our AGMs are well attended, informative, lively affairs with plenty of discussion from anyone present. We shall update you on matters affecting our area and you will have the opportunity to express your views and ask questions. Items on the draft Agenda include: Memorial for Steve, rubbish collections, Addiscombe Plan, East India Conservation Area, Leslie Arms, East Croydon Gateway site, Cherry Orchard Road development, Linear Park, Skills swap and list of local tradesmen, Tramlink. If there is anything you would like added to the Agenda, please let Anne know by Tuesday 6 May.

The business part of the meeting will end no later than 8.45 pm. Then there's refreshments and the chance to catch up with neighbours and meet new ones.

Our local councillors will be there as will members of our Police Safer Neighbourhood Team. We have invited along candidates for MP in next year's parliamentary elections from the Labour, Conservative, LibDem, Green, UKIP and Monster Raving Looney parties. Don't fear – candidates who attend will not be speaking but will be around for the social bit afterwards so you can put any questions to them.

With the sad loss of Steve and Rona's imminent departure to Cheam, we are looking for two more committee members as well as holding the usual annual election of officers. We would welcome two new people to bring new ideas. It is not onerous or time-consuming!

To remember Steve – as if we could forget!

Both family and residents have expressed a desire to plant a tree in memory of Steve. This is most apt as Steve loved plants and was very green fingered. David Ward of Canning Road suggested an Indian Bean Tree (see photo at top of page). Coincidentally Steve spotted one of these a few years ago and wanted to know what was 'that wonderful tree' - so it's a good choice. The Council have given us permission to plant an Indian Bean Tree on the triangle of greenery on Addiscombe Road between Canning and Clyde Roads in front of the professors' cottages. An ideal place! Many thanks to Richard Edwards, Croydon Council's Trees and Woodlands Officer, who has been extremely helpful. Date and time of planting to be confirmed.

If you would like to make a donation towards the tree, please give it to Gordon.

Super Sunday Lunch



who gave 20 of us a superb Sunday lunch on 20 April. Mr Gibson's beef was excellently roasted and Kathleen's Mum's tart recipe is something else. By popular demand we shall be repeating this experience!

Longest Day Barbecue

Cherry

Orchard Road

Sunday 22 June, 1.00 – around 6.00 pm

Yep – it's annual barbecue time at 42 Canning Road (opposite the church). OK, strictly speaking Saturday is the longest day but who cares about the odd minute? Given we're hitting the summer solstice, this year's theme will be 'sun'. Come along for all or part. There's no charge. Just bring along a little something to eat and drink. We'll have a raffle for association funds so any donations welcome. It's good fun.

Coming up later in the year

September

We will be holding a children's party in Canning Road. Date to be confirmed.

Saturday 11 October

Second hand furniture and bric-a-brac sale. This is the ideal opportunity to sell unwanted items and to find reasonable furniture or items for your home. The sale will be in Clyde Hall, Clyde Road.

More details nearer the time.

Caught out!

It took an eagle-eyed ex police officer to spot the fatal flaw in the confusing sign at the top of Canning Road, reports the *Croydon Advertiser* of 18 April. This is the one on the actual corner of Addiscombe Road warning people of the infamous bus lane that has caught out so many motorists who have incurred swingeing fines. The flaw is – no word 'ONLY'. Brian O'Leary took the sign to be a warning to be careful of buses and trams and not a warning that cars were prohibited from entering at certain times. A council adjudicator agreed with Mr O'Leary and he did not have to pay the fine.

We notice that the sign slightly lower down the road, which does contain the magic word 'ONLY', has now been straightened by the Council so it is facing motorists – just as the leaves are appearing on the trees to obscure it as usual in summer.



If you know anyone who has been fined for using the bus lane at the wrong time, they may wish to demand back their money citing Mr O'Leary's case.



Ken and Glynne Newnham would like to thank everyone in Clyde Road who donated towards the work of Marie Curie Cancer Care. They raised £65.

Marie Curie Cancer Care provide high-quality nursing care, free, to patients with cancer and other terminal illnnesses in their own home.

For more information see

www.mariecurie.org.uk

More on the East India Conservation Area in our next edition.

If you have any ideas of articles you would like covered in newsletters - please let Anne know.