



# Canning & Clyde Road Residents Association

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## Lots on Locally Edition

Welcome to our latest newsletter. A very big welcome if you are new to our great area. There's lots coming up locally.

### Free Zumba taster session !

**Saturday 7 April, 10.00 am and 10.30 am**

Come and have tremendous fun and see if you like Zumba. Zumba is a cross between exercise and dance.

We are holding two half-hour zumba taster sessions, one at 10.00 am and one at 10.30 am. It's FREE. Everyone is welcome –all levels of fitness; it doesn't matter. Tamara is a registered Zumba instructor. Bring water to drink. Guaranteed to make you smile!



### Have Your Say event – a unique opportunity

**Saturday 21 April, 2.00 pm, St Mary Magdalene Hall, Canning Road**

Please see page 2 for more information on this new, resident-led event.

### Annual Residents Meeting meet neighbours, hear news, express views!

**Thursday 24 May, 7.30 pm, Edward Jobson Court, Canning Road**

Another opportunity to have your say and meet neighbours from Canning and Clyde Roads! Expect a friendly welcome. Come along and join us for our Annual Residents Meeting. We promise you - it's guaranteed to be informative, interesting, give you a chance to express your views and ask questions. (These words have been written by our Secretary who normally *hates* meetings!) We have invited our MP, Greater London Assembly Member and Councillors.

If there is an issue you would particularly like raised, please let Anne know by Thursday 10 May.

The style is informal and the meeting lasts between 1 and 1 ¼ hours. Afterwards we have a sort of party with food and drink - a great chance to meet and chat with neighbours. Experience has shown our meetings are very worth the time spent.

### BBQ - Sunday 1 July, 1.00 – 6.00 pm, 42 Canning Road

Yep – our BBQs are popular so we're holding another one this year. It's a brilliant way to meet neighbours of all ages and just have fun. More about this nearer the time.

## Have Your Say event

**Saturday 21 April, 2.00 - 5.30 pm**

(come for all or just drop in for part)

**St Mary Magdalene Hall, Canning Road**

The Have Your Say event is organised by a group of local East Croydon people whose aim is to give everyone in the area an opportunity to express their views on what they would like to see happen for our area. This can include absolutely anything. The ultimate aim is to inform Croydon Council of what residents *really* think and want.

It will be a resident-led, informal event with people sitting round tables of six to eight. Everyone is very welcome. There will be a children's play area (unsupervised) and, if the weather is fine, the children can play safely on fenced grass directly outside the hall. Refreshments will be available but feel free to bring something along to share, if you would like.

**It will be a time when ideas can be freely exchanged in a way that respects everyone's views.** There'll even be an artist/cartoonist present to capture the issues being raised so they can also be viewed in a visual way. Our elected representatives will be there to hear what locals have to say and give information where that helps the discussion. Also to inform discussion, should people so wish, we have invited representatives from the company who collect our rubbish and recycling and from one of the companies currently digging up our roads.

If the event is successful, it will become regular. It will give local people a good chance for our voices to be heard. Come along and see what happens!

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## Tunstall Road Nursery

We have heard that Croydon Council is looking at closing one of the local Council run nurseries. Tunstall Nursery is one of those being considered.

If you have views either way on this, please contact one or both of Croydon Council's Education Department (Taberner House Park Lane, Croydon, CR9 3JS or email [contact@croydon.gov.uk](mailto:contact@croydon.gov.uk)) or Councillor Patricia Hay-Justice (see page 1 for contact details) as soon as possible.

## Friends of Addiscombe Railway Park

**Sunday 15 April 2012, 2 - 5pm**

Fancy rolling up your sleeves and getting stuck in? Feel free just to turn up for all or part. The day's activities are yet to be decided but may include: work around the watercourse possibly; forming brick dams to help retain water in the pond area; seeding the water course banks with water loving wild flowers. Friends of Addiscombe Railway Park work in the park on the second Sunday of each month, usually between 2 and 4pm. Just come along.



Railway Park  
February 2012

Recently children from Woodside School planted over 50 Jubilee Trees donated by the Woodland Trust plus one Royal Oak sapling from one of the royal estates.

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## Addiscombe Festival Diamond Jubilee celebration

**Sunday 3 June, 11am – 5pm Ashburton Park**

Croydon Lions are holding an Addiscombe Festival to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. There will be arena displays, funfair, music, stalls, family entertainment. For the last three years the Lions have run the Addiscombe Carnival which was a great day out.

For more information see

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



## Charity Swimathon

6 October 2012, Trinity School

The Rotary Club of Croydon East are offering a great opportunity for swimmers to take part in a Grand Charity Swimathon enabling swimmers to raise money by sponsorship for their own favourite Charity. This is a fun event for competent swimmers, male or female of any age, able to swim safely unaided for 25 minutes in a deep pool, 25 metres in length.

You can swim as an individual or team. There will be an admin charge of £35 for each individual or team. Money raised by this charge will go to the Rotary Club's chosen charities.

For more information see

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

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## Spring is in the air!

As Spring is in the air, we'll turn our minds to greenery. Please note – you do not need to have access to the space at the back of your house or block to have a garden. You can create one in just a single pot on your own window ledge or steps.

As we need to watch how much water we use, here are just a few easy to grow plants that do not need too much. They can be grown in the ground or in pots. Mediterranean herbs (thyme, rosemary, lavender); succulents (but many don't like getting wet in winter); plants with silver foliage; certain flowering plants (pinks (dianthus) of all colours, red pelargoniums/geraniums, alyssum, lavatera, morning glory, nasturtiums, potentilla, oleander).

Here's information on two local places where you can find plants.

## Cherry Orchard Garden Centre

This is brilliant! The Cherry Orchard Garden Centre on Sydenham Road (by junction with St James Road) is a community project. Many of the plants are raised from seed or cutting on the premises. It's amazingly cheap and you can often find unusual things not available in shops or chain garden centres.

Opening hours are Monday–Friday 9.30am–4pm (all year), Saturday 10am–2pm (Easter till early July).

## Earthly Treasures in Addiscombe

Clyde Road resident, Anne Barcellos, tells us about her favourite garden shop.

Have you discovered Ground Jewels, a locally run family business offering a one stop garden shop at 321 Lower Addiscombe Road( near the big Co-op) yet? Tom and Joe Benedict with help from Joe's long term partner, Louisa, offer a variety of products for general garden use, such as plants, flowers, seeds, soils and tools for a range of gardeners, from the more experienced horticulturists to the everyday gardener and are happy to give free and friendly advice. In addition to the wide array of merchandise offered, they also provide professional, experienced and personal garden services from general garden maintenance to more significant landscaping and re-designing projects at highly competitive prices.

They hold seasonal events such as wreath making classes at Christmas and hanging basket classes held on summer evenings to which everyone is welcome.

They are keen to contribute to the local community and Joe has done talks to local nurseries and schools and has donated plants and other garden supplies to summer fetes and various charitable fundraisers. He is always willing to promote other local businesses, schemes and events within the community through the shop so don't hesitate to approach him if you want something publicised in the window. The bulbs which we are now beginning to brighten up Addiscombe Railway Park were sourced through the shop.

I have used them lots of times from purchasing plants for my own use and to give as gifts to taking my first tentative steps into patio grown potatoes with their advice and would recommend them highly.

### Garden waste recycling

Each household should receive two clear sacks to collect green garden waste. You can buy additional sacks from the library for £1. Up to six clear sacks will be collected at a time; they must be the ones that the council has provided as they can see what is inside.

Garden waste recycling will be collected fortnightly on the same day as we put out our green recycling boxes. Our first garden waste collection will be on Wednesday 2 May. It will continue till the end of November.