

# Hampton Wick

The newsletter of The Hampton Wick Association (founded 1962)

Fish & Chips Quiz Night: 3rd Feb

January 2011

## Local History Show a huge success

### Crowds flock to Hampton Wick Local History Show

In November, Hampton Wick History volunteers organised an exhibition in the village's newly re-opened Church of more than 30 display boards featuring old postcards, maps and drawings, with explanations written by Ray Elmitt and Colin Pain. More than 300 people attended.

Other items on display included: an original Hampton Wick half-penny issued by a local trader during the 16th century currency crisis; medals from the Hampton Wick schools; and a portable organ carried by the Revd Ronayne from Hampton Wick to the front during the 1st World War.

Thanks go to John Sheaf, Paul Barnfield, Ken Howe, Adam Spencer and Ray Elmitt for their illustrated talks on subjects including Hampton Wick pubs, the 1888 train disaster, Edward Lapidge and the history of Kingston Bridge. The Church was so full that people were standing in the aisles! **See back page for books and prints for sale.**



## St John's Church fully open at last



*The Chamber Choir of Kingston University at the Carols by Candlelight service 17th Dec 2010*

After several months of preparation, our Church is now fully open with a regular family service every Sunday at 10.30am (coffee served from 10am). More than 100 adults and some 35 children attended the first Sunday service on 9th January.

There is also a midweek early morning prayer service from 7am every Wednesday. Separate men's and women's fellowship groups meet monthly for supper. See page 2 for full details.

The Church has already been used for several local community events including the Hampton Wick History Show (see above) and a concert given by the Kingston University Chamber Choir and Orchestra on 15th December. The concert featured seasonal favourites from Britten and Handel, plus the beautiful requiem, *Eternal Light*, by Howard Goodall.

The refurbished organ sounded superb at the Carols by Candlelight service, and is used for traditional hymns at regular services. A small band with guitar, drums and keyboard accompanies the more modern songs of worship.

Fundraising is underway and a new boiler and heating system is being installed over the coming weeks. Please contact the vicar if you would like to make a donation. In particular he is keen to provide full disabled access and facilities as soon as possible.

The Church is located on Church Grove (opposite the Skate Park). The vicar (Graham Singh) and curate (Jerry Field) can be contacted on 020 8977 7733, or by email: [graham@stjohnshamptonwick.org](mailto:graham@stjohnshamptonwick.org). The Church also has a website at [www.stjohnshamptonwick.org](http://www.stjohnshamptonwick.org).

## Welcome

Dear Wickians,

As I write, we are starting a new year and looking back on the one just past. For all of us it was an eventful year, in diverse ways.

St John's Church has re-opened to the community and it looked very beautiful for the Christmas celebrations.

It was so good to have the new Vicar and Curate and our well-known lay preacher Gareth Lawrence sharing the Remembrance Day service. The attendance around the Cenotaph in the Memorial Gardens was huge, accompanied by the piper and sea cadets' band to pay this dignified and respectful homage.

The Historical Committee gave a splendid presentation of past days in Hampton Wick and since then has published a pictorial illustrated book describing the subjects discussed at this special event (see back page).

It was a joy to see so many of you singing carols around our Christmas tree, enjoying mulled wine, mince pies, hot chestnuts and the arrival of Father Christmas with his entourage of elves and sacks of gifts which made it a traditional family gathering in our urban village. It was an added pleasure to watch the excited childrens' faces and to have so many of you there.

With best wishes for a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year. Kindest regards to you all.

Pat Parsons  
HWA Chairman

## HWA Notice Board

**Fish & Chips Quiz Night: Thursday 3rd February  
7.30pm, Bullen Hall**

See invitation below for details.

**Annual General Meeting: Wednesday 16th March  
7.30pm, Choir Vestry, St John's Church**

The Hampton Wick Association's AGM and consultation. The entrance to the Choir Vestry is on the right hand side of the main church building.

**All HWA members are very welcome.** If you would like to stand for the committee please contact the chairman in advance (see back cover for contact details).

## St John's events

**Valentine's Service - Sunday 13th February - 10am**

Special service to mark Valentine's Day, at which married couples can renew their vows to each other.

**Every Sunday - Family Morning Service - 10.30am**

Coffee served from 10am. Children's Church and crèche facilities available. Everyone very welcome.

**Every Wednesday - Early Morning Prayer - from 7am**

During school term-times. Worship, coffee and breakfast.

**Women's Nights** - Thursdays 17th Feb & 17th March

Meet at the Church at 7.15pm for wine, supper, prayer

**Men's Nights** - Thursdays 27th Jan & 4th March

Meet at the Church at 7pm for prayer followed by curry in a local restaurant.

St John's Church, Church Grove, 020 8977 7733

Email: [graham@stjohnshamptonwick.org](mailto:graham@stjohnshamptonwick.org)

Website: [www.stjohnshamptonwick.org](http://www.stjohnshamptonwick.org)

You are warmly invited to:

## The Hampton Wick Fish & Chips Quiz Night

**Thursday 3rd February, 7.30pm - 10pm**

**Bullen Hall, Bennet Close**

Hampton Wick's own quizmaster, David Rees, will once again host a friendly, fun quiz. The winners will be awarded the famous Hampton Wick Milk Bottle trophy.

Come and join a quiz team on the night or bring your friends and family along with you.

Fish & Chips will be available to order on arrival. The bar will serve wine, beer and soft drinks.

**Please buy tickets in advance** from the Library and from Hussars Coffee House, High Street. This popular event in our village calendar is always a sell-out so book your tickets early!

Tickets: £2.00 per person

Fish & Chips: £5.00 (order and pay on the night)

# Hampton Wick Remembers



The Sea Cadets' Band at Remembrance Day 2011

This year's Remembrance Day in Hampton Wick was even more impressive than usual.

For some years now, the Remembrance Day parade in Hampton Wick has been the largest in the whole borough, with hundreds turning out to honour those who have served, and continue to serve, in our Armed Forces.

This year, our lay preacher Gareth Lawrence was joined by the new clergy at St John's to lead the ceremony.

We were also delighted to welcome the wonderful drums and band of our local Sea Cadets who joined our traditional piper in the parade for the first time.

Let's hope this is the start of a great new Hampton Wick tradition.

## HWA Membership Fees Due for 2011

The Hampton Wick Association invites you to renew your membership and thus support our continuing work.

We are a voluntary organisation which works for our community; watches local affairs; monitors public services and runs a variety of events for local people.

Membership rates are:

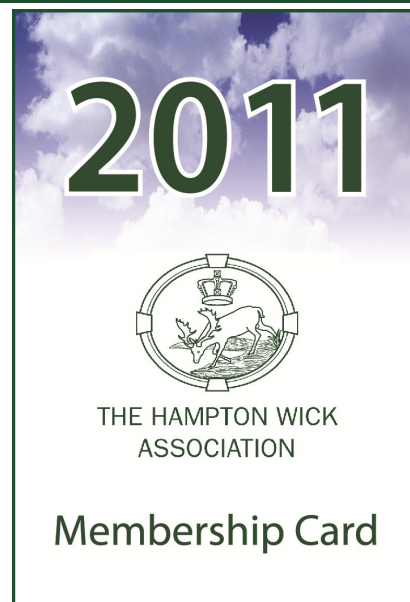
Individual member: £5.00

Family member: £10.00

Concessions: £3.00

Any questions please email [membership@hamptonwick.org.uk](mailto:membership@hamptonwick.org.uk) or call 020 8977 6058

**Fred Ashmore, Membership Secretary**



## HWA Membership Form

**Pay now for 2011**

**I/we** would like to **join/renew** membership of the Hampton Wick Association (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS):

Name/s: ..... Phone .....

Address: ..... Postcode .....

Email: .....

Tick here to receive  
free email newsletter ☐

Individuals: £5 pa .....

Concessions £3 pa .....

Family/Business £10 pa .....

I enclose an additional donation to the HWA £.....

I would be interested in volunteering to help ☐

Please make your cheque or PO payable to the Hampton Wick Association and send it with this form to:  
**Hampton Wick Association, 47 Lower Teddington Road, Hampton Wick, KT1 4HQ** ♦ [membership@hamptonwick.org.uk](mailto:membership@hamptonwick.org.uk)

## The HWA exists to serve the interests of Hampton Wick

The HWA supports the local community by maintaining a watch on local issues that may affect our environment, such as High Street speeding or closure of amenities; organising events such as the Christmas Carols and the Local History Show, and communicating with local residents, businesses and others with an interest in Hampton Wick through the notice boards, web site, email news and this newsletter.



## THE HAMPTON WICK ASSOCIATION

Formed in 1962 to fight proposals to build a flyover from Kingston that would have demolished a large section of the village

## HWA Contact Details

### Chairman: Pat Parsons

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## Hampton Wick History: books & pictures

Following the success of the Hampton Wick History Show, we decided to make some of the more iconic images of Hampton Wick's history available as high quality A3-sized prints (approx. 42cm x 30cm). These are available to order from Vintage Rose on the High Street (just along from the Post Office) or from Ray Elmitt (see details below).

Prints cost £20.00 each or £100.00 for a set of all 5. Please quote the image reference number when ordering.

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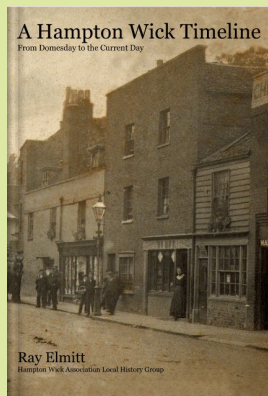
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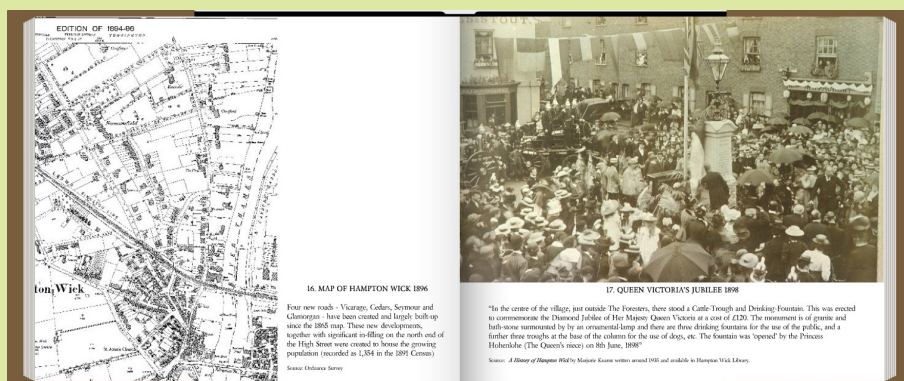
Standard Edition Cover

We have also produced a book of the Hampton Wick History Show featuring all the maps and images displayed in the exhibition with commentaries written by Ray Elmitt and Colin Pain. The 70-page book is available in Standard edition (black and white, 15 x 23cm) or in a Deluxe coffee-table edition (colour, 25 x 20cm).

Standard edition: £7.50 per copy

Deluxe coffee table edition: £20.00 per copy

*Deluxe Colour Edition - sample pages*



### Delivery (books and/or prints)

Within Hampton Wick - free

UK - £1.95 per order

Rest of World - £3.95 per order

**Contact:** Ray Elmitt, 1 The Grove, Lower Teddington Rd, KT1 4HJ, Tel: 07770 932912, Email: rayelmitt@gmail.com  
Cheques payable to Hampton Wick Association. Money raised goes towards costs of running local history events.

# [www.hamptonwick.org.uk](http://www.hamptonwick.org.uk)

The HWA is not-for-profit and is run by volunteers