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Emma Rigby, who plays Hannah Ashworth in Hollyoaks, meets young fans at the event.

Fun in the sun!

The 2007 Kensington Regeneration Summer Fun Day proved to be another outstanding success.

This success was all the more remarkable because, in the middle of one of the wettest spells of summer weather for years, the clouds cleared and the sun shone for the fourth year

of the Kensington event.

As a result, local residents turned out in force with an estimated 6,000 people passing through the gates of Fairfield Police Club at some point during the Fun Day on Saturday July 7th. This was around double the attendance in 2006.



Stepping out in style – the Kensington Monarch Majorettes.

Early birds had the chance to meet Hollyoaks star Emma Rigby who performed the opening ceremony. Emma, who plays Hannah Ashworth in the popular TV soap, signed autographs and posed for photographs with fans.

Also on hand was popular BBC Radio Merseyside presenter Alan Jackson who compered the event throughout the day.

Attractions at the event ranged from a fun fair and a mini farm to music and dance in the performance tents.

There were also open air performances from the Kensington Monarch Majorettes and the Queens Own Highlanders pipe band.

Meanwhile, in two other marquees there were more than 40 stalls highlighting the work of public sector agencies, community groups and

voluntary organisations that are active in Kensington.

Commenting on the Summer Fun Day Kensington Regeneration Chief Executive, Lynn Spencer, said: "Obviously in the run-up to the event we were very concerned about the weather but we were incredibly lucky – the sun arrived pretty much as the event got under way and we were able to stage all the activities we had planned."

Kensington Regeneration Board Member, Enid Bristow, added: "This was our best Fun Day yet – it gets bigger and better every year and there was such a good atmosphere. It was a real boost for the community."

See pages 4 and 5 for more news and photographs from the 2007 Kensington Regeneration Summer Fun Day.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU

If you receive your copy of Kensington News through the post you should also have received a copy of the Kensington Regeneration New Futures newsletter with it.

This special publication puts the spotlight on the wide variety of training and job opportunities available in the area thanks to support and funding from Kensington Regeneration.

The newsletter shows how local

people have benefited from these opportunities in a wide variety of sectors and provides advice on how you can take advantage of similar ones in the future.

Kensington Regeneration's Lifelong Learning, Employment and Enterprise Manager, George Allen, commented: "Helping residents to find work or move to better jobs is absolutely vital in terms of the wider regeneration of this area.

"The New Futures newsletter

demonstrates that we now have a proven track record in helping people to access training and job opportunities.

"I would encourage everyone in the area to read it and find out how they or other members of their family can benefit from them."

If you did not receive a copy of the New Futures newsletter with your copy of Kensington News you can obtain one by ringing 0151-233 6136.



WELCOME TO KENSINGTON NEWS

This month's Guest Editor of Kensington News, new Board Member Enid Bristow, writes:

I would like to welcome you to the August issue of Kensington News, the community newspaper for the New Deal area.

As it's the height of summer – although you wouldn't believe it with the weather we've had – it's the time of year for the big open air events in our area and in this issue we look back at all of them.

There was our own Kensington Regeneration Summer Fun Day, of course, at the Fairfield Police Club. Thanks in part to a rare afternoon of sunshine this was a huge success, attracting more local residents than ever before.

You'll also find reports on two other established events – the African Kensington Festival and the Newsham Park Festival - as well as two important additions to the Kensington events calendar, the Edge Hill International Festival and the Congolese Independence celebrations.

It's very encouraging that all these festivals were very well supported, in spite of very heavy rain in the case of Newsham Park.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in organising these events. As well as providing local residents with a rich source of entertainment 'on their doorstep' they really do help to bring our community together.

In this issue you can also read about a number of other major success stories for Kensington.

They include an outstanding Ofsted report for Kensington Infants School, a local filmmaker who has had his work accepted for showing at the New York Film Festival, another award for the Academy of St Francis of Assisi and young musicians from local schools performing with the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra.

It's a pleasure to have so many positive developments to report in just one issue of this newsletter.

I do hope you enjoy reading about them, and that you find this issue of Kensington News both interesting and informative.

As ever, we welcome any comments you have on its contents and any suggestions for topics you'd like to see in future issues.

You can get in touch with us via the contact details on the back page.

With best wishes
Enid Bristow
Kensington Regeneration



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John Caton and Jenny Comish (front) celebrate the Ofsted success with pupils and staff.

KENSINGTON SCHOOL IS TOP OF THE CLASS

A Kensington school is top of the class, according to Ofsted inspectors.

Kensington Infants School was given the highest grade possible for all aspects of its teaching and care of pupils.

Inspectors reported: "It is difficult to see what more Kensington Infant School could do for its pupils. It is an outstanding school which provides first-rate care and support for all who attend.

"The high number of pupils for whom English is an additional language benefit particularly from the skilful intervention of teachers and support staff."

The report went on to praise the Head Teacher, all teaching and support staff and the Governors for the leadership, management and standards of education and personal

care provided for the 200 pupils.

Head Teacher Jenny Comish said the glowing report was a reflection on everyone involved in the life of the school:

"This is a fabulous confirmation of a school community that is working together for the good of the children. Our last Ofsted report from four years ago graded us as 'very good' and now we have improved to become 'outstanding'.

"In that time we have developed our learning environment and a lot of that is due to the support we have received from Kensington Regeneration."

Kensington Infants, along with its sister school Kensington Juniors, moved into a new building in 2002 which was opened by Cherie Blair.

Funding from Kensington Regeneration has provided extra

security which stopped a spate of break-ins, additional play equipment and funds for activities aimed at improving attendance.

It has also supported the highly-acclaimed Music For Life project which provides weekly workshops by musicians from the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra in all Kensington schools.

Kensington's Chair of Lifelong Learning, John Caton, said: "People in Kensington deserve the very best education for their children and that is what they are getting at Kensington Infants.

"All the schools in our area have benefited from regeneration funding and many are now getting great reports from Ofsted. It is extremely satisfying to know that Kensington Regeneration is playing a part in the success of these schools."



The Academy is the fastest-improving school in the country at GCSE level.

Schools Minister praises Academy

Kensington's Academy of St Francis of Assisi was praised by Schools Minister Jim Knight on his recent visit to Liverpool.

Mr Knight, who was attending a conference on school design, said the academy was 'an incredible example of what can be achieved when you combine creativity and imagination with the right resources and planning.'

The academy was the first in the country to focus on the environment as its specialist subject and its

building incorporates a wide range of 'green' features.

These features recently helped the construction team behind the project – Birse Build – to win a third major award for the project when it landed the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) UK Sustainability title.

The academy's architecture had already won a Green Champion Award and the RICS North West Quality of Life Award.

Earlier this year Government figures revealed that the Academy of St Francis of Assisi was the fastest-improving school in the country at GCSE level.

Kensington Regeneration changes its status

Kensington Regeneration Company has changed its status to become a Community Interest Company, or CIC.

The move provides the framework for regeneration work to continue in the area beyond the 10-year lifespan of the New Deal Partnership by locking in the Company's assets for the good of the local community.

This means that the assets will be available to generate income which can in turn be used to fund community projects in the area.

Kensington is thought to be the first of the Government's 39 New Deal for Communities partnerships to have become a CIC.

Kensington Regeneration

Operations and Finance Manager, Anne-Marie Turner, explained: "We opted for the CIC model as it has the interests and values of the community at its heart.

"The new structure will be the vehicle through which we can provide a legacy to the area at the end of the NDC's lifetime.

"We will be leaving a CIC Board in place to continue the good work carried out by Kensington Regeneration over the previous ten years."



Major transformation for Learning Centre grot spot

Students and staff at Kensington Community Learning Centre will benefit from a major clean-up operation that has been completed on a nearby grot spot.

A derelict building that had frequently been used for fly tipping has been demolished and cleared. The site will be used as a car park in the future.

The demolition work was carried out by unemployed Liverpool residents on placement with a Government New Deal for Young People project, organised by the Liverpool office of TNG Ltd.

Then 'green' organisation Circle got involved as part of its drive to improve recycling rates in the construction industry.

By hand sorting bricks and other material the company is able to recycle up to 90 per cent of the waste that would normally be taken to landfill.

Circle is a joint venture between housing associations Riverside Group and PLUS and construction firm the Seddon Group.

Three unemployed Kensington residents recently found work with the company with the help of Kensington Regeneration.

Commenting on the clean-up Kensington Community Learning

Centre Development Manager, Alan Tapp, said: "This project has been really good news for everyone who uses the centre and also for local residents in our neighbourhood.

"Previously the site was a real eyesore which attracted rats because people were constantly tipping rubbish on it.

"The fact that the facelift has provided work placements for young people, and that the waste has been disposed of in a 'green' way, are two real bonuses," added Alan.



Members of the Circle team are pictured on site sorting out some of the building waste.

NHS jobs in the spotlight

Kensington Regeneration recently staged a special event to raise awareness of training and job opportunities in the National Health Service – Merseyside's biggest employer.

Information on hundreds of employment opportunities was available at the open day at the Job Bank including positions as nursing assistants, radiologists, theatre assistants, dental nurses and hospital security staff.

Information and advice was on offer at the event about the best route into the NHS including well-established schemes like Ambition Health, Routeways Into Health Employment and the Health Cadets programme.

Staff from organisations including JET, Jobcentre Plus and Step Closer 2 Work were also on hand to offer general job-related advice on subjects such as matching skills to vacancies, benefit checks and

completing online application forms.

George Allen, Kensington Regeneration's Lifelong Learning, Employment and Enterprise Manager, commented: "Health is a key sector of the local economy and here in Kensington we have the Royal Liverpool Hospital on our doorstep.

"With the wide variety of

healthcare jobs available, and plans in the pipeline to redevelop the Royal, this is a good time for Kensington residents to be considering a career in this field."

Information about all the job opportunities currently available in the NHS can now be accessed online at www.jobs.nhs.uk.



Information on hundreds of job opportunities was on offer.



Alex Harrison - heading for the Big Apple with his film.

KENSINGTON FILMMAKER HEADS FOR NEW YORK

A young filmmaker from Kensington recently had a movie accepted for showing at the world's biggest independent film festival.

Alex Harrison jetted off to America to spend two weeks at the New York Film and Video Festival where his short film – Blood On The Bath Tiles – was being shown.

Alex has been studying for a BA in video production with creative writing and film studies at Buckinghamshire Chilterns University.

He has received help from the Kensington Regeneration bursary scheme which provides full-time students from the area with financial support which they 'pay back' through getting involved in voluntary work in the local community.

Alex recently completed his voluntary work at Phoenix Primary School where he was working as a teaching assistant.

Blood On the Bath Tiles tells the

story of an American who moves to a flat in London which he discovers has a murderous past.

A trailer for the film can be viewed at www.youtube.com/laasvegasfilms (the odd spelling of laasvegas is correct!).

Alex commented: "The New York Film Festival shows films from all over the world so it was a prize in itself to be accepted.

"But I'd like to emphasise that I couldn't have achieved what I have achieved without the bursary - it's been a really big help."

Kensington Regeneration's Chair of Lifelong Learning, Employment and Enterprise, John Caton, added: "I would like to congratulate Alex on having his film accepted by such a prestigious festival.

"His is the latest in a series of successes by Kensington students who have been involved with our bursary scheme."

The Healing Space

The Healing Space provides a range of affordable complementary health and wellbeing activities in one location.

Healing Space offers individual treatments in

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Welcome to Norma and Pauline



Pauline Sui Norma Lee

Kensington Regeneration has appointed two new Board Members representing the local community.

They are Norma Lee, who chairs Royston Residents' Association and the Edge Hill Housing Focus and Issues Group, and Pauline Sui, who runs the Liverpool Chinese Badminton Association, which is based in Kensington, and also has a business in the area.

Norma Williams, Chair of Kensington Regeneration, commented:

"I am very pleased to welcome Norma and Pauline to the Board.

"Community Board Members have played a vital role in the work of Kensington Regeneration over the years because it's their local knowledge which has helped to 'set the agenda' for the work of the organisation.

"I'm sure that Norma and Pauline will carry on this tradition and make a valuable contribution to our work in the future."

Summer Fun Day is the best yet



The Queens Own Highlanders proved very popular.

The fourth Kensington Regeneration Summer Fun Day once again proved a big hit with local residents.

Around 6,000 of them descended on Fairfield Police Club during the event on Saturday July 7th, around double what was already a record attendance in 2006.

Perhaps it was the kind weather that helped to make the event especially popular this year.

After weeks of wet and often windy weather local people seemed determined to get out into the open air and enjoy a rare day of warm sunshine with their family and friends.

Kris Waite from Kensington Regeneration, the organiser of the

event, commented: "In the weeks leading up to the Fun Day events had been cancelled or rained off half way through all over the country so we were pretty worried, particularly as most of our activities take place on the field at the Police Club which can turn to mud very quickly."

"Even on the morning of the event things weren't looking good with heavy cloud and the odd spot of rain."

"But then, just as the event opened, the sky cleared and the sun shone for the whole afternoon. We couldn't have planned it better and without doubt the best weather for weeks was a key factor in the huge increase in attendance this year."

As Kris explained, the aim of the

Fun Day has always been to offer something for all age groups and this was certainly true again this year.

Children could enjoy everything from face painting and a fun fair to farm animals and a football tournament.

For the adults there were musical performances, displays, craft stands and a wide range of stalls featuring the work of local organisations.

These included Community Seven, Kensington Fields Community Centre, St John's Community Centre, L'Arche Community Centre, GEARS and Merseyside Regional Chinese Association.

Other groups as diverse as the Friends of the Williamson Tunnels and Liverpool Organic Gardeners

also took advantage of the opportunity to promote their work at the Fun Day.

Meanwhile, a packed programme ensured there was always something new for visitors to see.

Early on the big attraction was actress Emma Rigby, alias Hannah Ashworth from Hollyoaks, who performed the opening ceremony with the help of popular Radio Merseyside presenter Alan Jackson who compered the event.

Later there were interestingly varied programmes of music in both performance tents.

In one the highlights included songs about Liverpool by children from Sacred Heart High School, rap

and breakdancing from Homegrown Music and Indian dance by the Rangdlai Dance Group.

In the other there was a musical medley to celebrate Liverpool's 800th birthday from students at Broadgreen High and other schools, African music and dance and a performance from the always-popular Kensington Community Choir.

Elsewhere on the showground there were attractions as varied as storytelling, a five-a-side football tournament, paintballing, arts and crafts and an army recruitment display.

Children also had the chance to sit in a fire engine and a police car, and to try the sirens in both!



If you want to get ahead, get a hat!



Cathy Yu from the Merseyside Regional Chinese Association.



Creating a smoothie with pedal power.

More than 1,000 attend third



Competitors in the popular football tournament.

The third African Kensington Festival once again proved a big success with more than 1,000 people attending a wide variety of activities at Kensington Community Sports Centre and Botanic Park.

The two-day event supported by Kensington Regeneration included music, dance, art, drama, textiles, fashion, jewellery, mask and costume making, sport, social history, storytelling, a drumming workshop and food.

Kenneth Ndingindwayo, Chair of the Liverpool African Association which organises the festival, commented: "This was a fabulous event, attended by a large number of local people who really enjoyed their taste of African culture. I'd like to thank everyone who attended and supported our festival and our funders including Kensington

Regeneration, Community Seven and Riverside Housing."

This year's event featured a number of new stallholders offering Caribbean foods and also dishes from areas of Africa not represented in the past.

And the fashion show was also bigger and better than before with a shop from Manchester not only having a stall but also providing a range of clothes for the show.

A wide range of music was on offer throughout the weekend with Musica Africa, a band from the Congo, performing on both days and a group from South Africa capturing the mood of the festival with a song entitled God Bless Africa.

Homegrown Music also presented some exciting performances by up and coming young singers from Kensington.

Football remains an extremely



Drumming up a storm at the festival.



pe Band

And visitors of all ages were invited to make their own fruit smoothies by riding a bike and generating the pedal power to operate the mixer!

Overall the feedback on the event was very enthusiastic. One local resident told Kensington News: "This is the third Fun Day I've been to. It's always a good day out and the weather this year was a bonus."

"What I like is that there's always lots to see and do and the atmosphere is really friendly – just loads of people out and about enjoying themselves and supporting the event."

Kensington Regeneration Board Member, Enid Bristow, said: "The



Kensington Regeneration Board Member Enid Bristow meets Emma Rigby.

great thing about the Summer Fun Day is that it brings the community together – residents of all ages come to the Police Club to have a good time with their family, friends and neighbours.

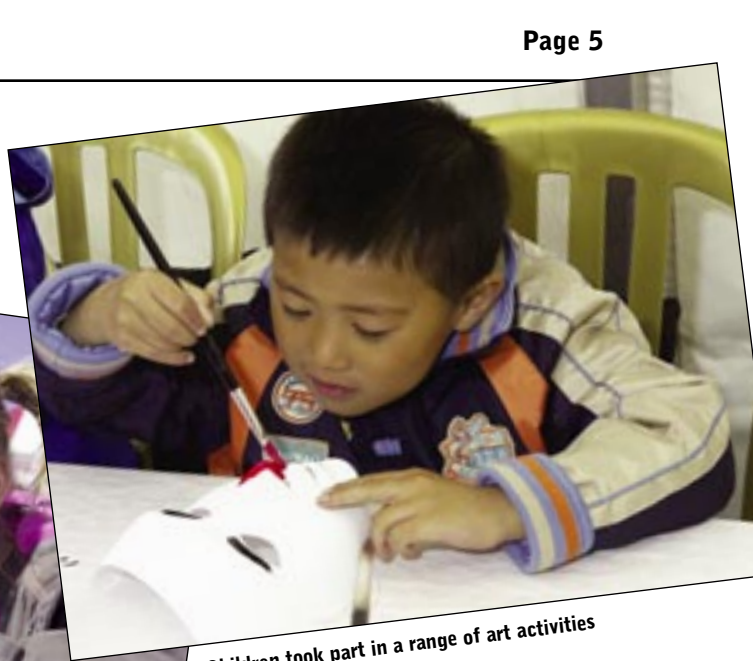
"At the same time, the event is a useful opportunity for organisations working in the area to highlight what they do and get their message across to local people."

Kensington Regeneration Chief Executive, Lynn Spencer, added: "The big challenge for us is to make the Summer Fun Day bigger and better each year."

"We'd be delighted to receive suggestions from residents on how they think we can do this in 2008."



Children took part in a range of art activities (above left and right).



Chatting at the St John Ambulance stand.



Young dancers take to the stage.



Dancers from Homegrown Music.

PRIZEWINNERS

Apple iPod - Linda Kirtchley of Hampstead Road

Sugababes concert tickets - Thomas McKay of Gresham St

£40 Empire voucher - Linda Power of Lockerbie Road

£25 HMV voucher - Kelly Jevans of Edge Lane

£25 Marks and Spencer voucher - Mrs Williams of Gladstone Road

SUMMER FUN DAY SPONSORS

Kensington Regeneration would like to thank the following organisations who sponsored the 2007 Fun Day:



African Festival

All smiles from these two youngsters at the third African Kensington Festival.



Attractions ranged from fashion.....



.....through to dance.

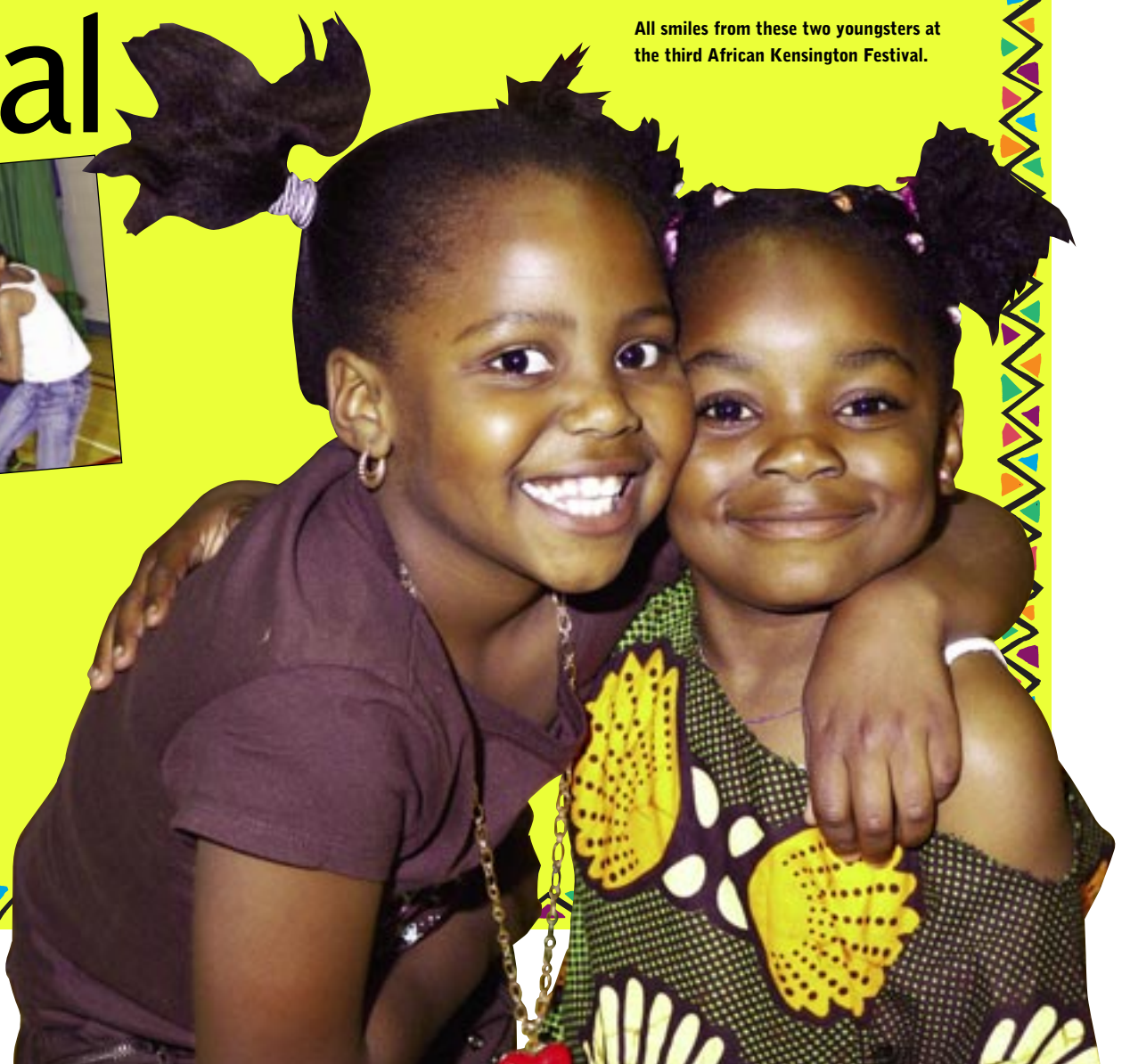
popular feature of the festival and this year matches in the annual multi-cultural five-a-side football tournament were held both at the sports centre and Botanic Park.

Countries represented included Nigeria, Zimbabwe and Sierra Leone together with teams from local schools. Trophies were presented in a range of different categories.

The festival weekend concluded

with an evening celebration for the organisers and participants at the Fairfield Police Club.

Kenneth Ndingindwayo added: "Everyone who turned out enjoyed themselves at the festival. We had a lot of new events and activities this year and for 2008 we hope to include a number of new sports including badminton, netball and basketball."





The event featured many excellent performances.

CONGOLESE CELEBRATIONS

Kensington joined in the celebrations to mark the 47th anniversary of Congolese independence recently.

As part of a major new event for the area musicians, poets and hip-hop storytellers provided a unique insight into the culture of the Congo through performances at the Newsham Park Festival and at Kensington Junior School.

The event was organised by a new arts organisation, Yambi Africa, with the support of community groups including the Congolese Association of Merseyside, the Ephrata Church, the Mannecachee Church and the Merseyside Congolese Football Club.

The performances were sponsored by Kensington Regeneration, Community Seven and Liverpool CVS.

Highlights of the event included performances by the Ephrata Choir and the Mannecachee Choir, hip-hop artist Gaylor Mupingu and two Congolese bands based outside the area, Nouvelle Alliance from Manchester and World Musica from Chester.

Drumming, dance and poetry were also part of the event celebrating the country receiving its independence from Belgium on June 30th, 1960.

Organiser Thierry Bwaka said he was very pleased with the way the

celebrations had gone: "Everyone who attended seemed to really enjoy the event and the excellent performers who took part. It's certainly something we would like to repeat next year."

In the meantime, Thierry and his colleagues are looking into organising another Congolese event in September, this time linking into the official launch of Yambi Africa.

Kensington Regeneration Chief Executive, Lynn Spencer, commented: "We were really pleased to be able to support this event which attracted interest from all sections of the community – it was great!"

Kensington plays a key role in Lord Mayor's Parade

Kensington once again played an important role in the city's Lord Mayor's Parade in June.

A number of local groups took part in the event which saw a slight change of emphasis this year, with more static performances complementing the parade.

These took place on Castle Street, where the Congolese Choir performed and at St George's Plateau where there was a display by

Indian dancers from Kensington.

There were also performances at Williamson Square where Electric Boogie were the Kensington attraction.

Other groups linked to the New Deal area who were involved in the event included musicians from the Liverpool Hindu Centre, the United Colours of Kensington face painters, the MDI African dancers, Hohodza, the Bolger Cunningham Irish dancers and dancers representing the

Merseyside Regional Chinese Association.

Kensington Regeneration BME Outreach Worker, Martin Pinder, commented: "It was very pleasing to see so many Kensington organisations involved in the parade again this year."

"They were all a real credit to our area and made an important contribution to the overall success of the event."



A wide range of Kensington performers took part in the parade.

KEY STAGE FOR LOCAL PUPILS

Children from five Kensington schools took to the stage at Liverpool's Philharmonic Hall recently to show off their musical skills.

The youngsters are part of Kensington Regeneration's Music for Life project, which has involved five musicians from the Philharmonic Orchestra 'adopting' a school for weekly workshops and performances.

Choirs and string groups performed alongside Philharmonic musicians in front of fellow pupils, teachers, parents and Kensington Regeneration Board Members and staff.

Kensington Regeneration's Chair of Lifelong Learning, John Caton,

said: "This was a fabulous event. It was a real delight to see the children performing on the stage of such a prestigious venue as the Philharmonic, and they were superb."

The five schools involved in Music for Life are Kensington Infants, Kensington Juniors, Sacred Heart, Phoenix Primary and St Sebastian's.

The project, which is now in its fourth year, also receives support from the Foyle Foundation.



Some of the pupils who performed at the Phil.

Regular new date for grants panel

A regular new date has been set for the panel that considers applications for the New Communities Fund.

In future the panel of local residents will meet on the first Wednesday of every month.

Applications need to be sent to Kensington Regeneration a week before this in order for them to be processed in time for the meeting.

The New Communities Fund gives groups based and working in the New Deal area the chance to apply for grants of £250 to £2,000 for a wide range of community development activities which will support the wider regeneration of the area.

Janet Grimes of Kensington Regeneration's New Communities Team commented: "We think that

having a fixed date for the panel to meet will streamline the way the fund operates and make it more 'user friendly' for local community groups and voluntary organisations."

Janet added that community participation is vital to the success of this scheme: "Local people know what the priorities are in their own neighbourhood and the New Communities Fund helps to give them the tools they need to tackle them."

For more information on the fund and an application pack contact the new Communities Team on 0151-233 6189.



Are you aged 13 to 25? A new magazine needs your voice...

Work has just got under-way on the first edition of the new Kensington youth magazine.

Called **Kidz on Kenny** (a title chosen by young people themselves) it is being produced by and for young people in the area who want to see their work in print. If you're aged 13-25 you can get involved in putting the magazine together at sessions being run at local youth clubs over the next couple of months. The magazine is young people led and will deal with a range of issues that you as young people are interested in that are important to you and your local area.

Contact Richard at YCN on 0151 702 6960 or Anita at Kensington Regeneration on 0151 233 6182 for further information.

Edge Hill International Festival

The sun made one of its rare appearances this summer for the first Edge Hill International Festival.

More than 2,000 people – double the number expected – attended the Truck Stop event at Edge Hill railway station with visitors from as far afield as Manchester and Wales joining local residents to enjoy a wide variety of



Enthusiastic support at the festival!

activities and entertainment.

The festival – officially opened by award-winning Liverpool dramatist Jimmy McGovern – was organised by Metal Liverpool in conjunction with a group of local organisations and individuals called Creative Edge. It was one of a number of events that are being organised in relation to the station.

Activities on the day included Victorian games, film screenings, poetry sessions, dancing, portrait painting, music, walking tours, kids workshops, a speakers' corner and much more.



These attractive costumes proved a big hit at the event.

Ceri Hand, Director of Metal, said: "The event was fantastic and far exceeded our expectations in terms of the diversity of the audience.

"The weather played a huge part in its success and meant that people stayed for the whole day. The different performances were also spectacular and the feedback was great from everyone who filled in questionnaires."

As buildings at Edge Hill

station are to be developed into an arts centre, to be launched in the spring of next year, organisers are now hoping to stage an even bigger festival in 2008.



Say cheese!

Exhibition celebrates school links with Croatia



Martin Pinder is pictured with pupils Kamika Lawless and Chyenne Johnson.

A recent photographic exhibition celebrated a Kensington school's links with Croatia.

Year 3 pupils at St Anne's Primary have been involved in an international collaboration with young people from the Istria area, arranged via Merseyside educational and multi-media charity Twin Vision.

This involved pupils from both countries using creative photographic techniques to document their lives.

The exhibition brought together 100 images taken by the children in Liverpool and Croatia which enabled both participants and visitors to understand more about the similarities and differences between the two cultures.

This is not the first time that Twin Vision has worked with St Anne's. Several years ago the school worked on a joint photographic project with some deaf children in India.

The Croatia collaboration was financed in part by a New Communities Fund grant from Kensington Regeneration.

Martin Pinder, the organisation's BME Outreach Worker, commented: "We were very pleased to support this worthwhile project which has resulted in an excellent exhibition that demonstrates the talent and enthusiasm of the children in both countries."

notice board

Upcoming dates for your diary:

Edge Hill Neighbourhood Assembly

Tuesday 7 August
6.30pm – 8.30pm

City Centre Jobs Fair

Thursday 9 August
10am – 3pm

Liverpool 800th Birthday Celebrations

Parties to be held on
27th August

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Every Tuesday 4pm – 6pm
Every Wednesday 5pm – 7pm
Every Thursday 5pm – 7pm
(indoors)

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Every Thursday
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Tai Chi 11am – 12 noon

Street Dancing

Every Friday 5.30pm – 6.30pm
Age 11 upwards

Futsal – Football Skills

Every Friday
4pm – 5pm Age 8-12
5pm – 6pm Age 13 upwards

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Whether you've got a news story you'd like us to cover, or you want to have your say by sending us a letter with your views on a local issue, Kensington News is for you.

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We look forward to hearing from you!



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Shop for Jobs Open Day

Are you looking for a job in retail, leisure, hotel and catering, security and customer service? Are you interested in the new City centre opportunities?

Then come along to our event on Thursday, 9th August 2007, 10am to 3pm at the Job Bank, 4 Tunnel Road, Kensington, L7 6QD.

Kensington Regeneration is working with Shop for Jobs and South Liverpool Personnel to help local people into the new jobs in the Liverpool 1 (Grosvenor /Paradise Street Project) and Kings Dock development.

This event will offer:

- Information on the employers and the available jobs
- Registration with the Shop for Jobs Team
- Information on pre-recruitment training
- In-work benefit calculations

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