



North London L.E.T.S. Spring 08

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Dear NLETS member,

Happy Spring to you all! Now that the snow has freshened the air, we hope you will have a blossoming, developing time and enjoy trading and coming to our wonderful events and maybe doing some fun NLETS work for pledges. This issue brings you notice of immediate deadlines, need for new e-group coordinator, notices of extraordinary events...so read on...

Your absolute deadline for ANY changes to the Summer directory is April 18. Please send all your changes/deletions/additions of Offers/Wants, and your details...address/phone numbers/email address, you overdue subscriptions and any pledge cheques you want to be counted in your June balance to the office (as above). You can also phone if it's a short message.

Remember our current policy is anyone more than 6 months overdue with membership fees will be made inactive WHICH MEANS YOU WON'T HEAR FROM US AGAIN (unless you contact us about it). So be sure to phone or write if you have any problems. We mostly work random hours depending on deadlines and such, we are mostly on answering machine though we will phone you back as soon as someone is in the office. Normally 2-4 days



EVENTS



BIG DAY! On Saturday June 7 from NOON to 6 will be our Trading Day hosted by Fiona Beautiful Night with yummy affordable food provided by LETS member so can pay half with pledges if you are a members – others pay cash - followed by our wonderful social starting 6pm hosted by Georgia Davis. (Booked entertainers get paid in pledges so don't be afraid to donate some pledges if you feel inspired). THIS SPECIAL DAY IS PART OF THE 'LOVE LONDON' FESTIVAL (that used to be called London Sustainability Weeks or LSW) so we will be advertising to the public and running two NLETS Intro meetings.

We want to offer people samples of some of our special skills, services, and wares. PLEASE OFFER DEMOS, TALKS AND TASTER SESSIONS (possibly for small currency donations to non members). So PLEASE PHONE THE OFFICE leaving a message to offer something to trade, show, talk PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE (or Email our outreach officer Hberenger2@aol.com) If you want a specific time slot, let us know your preference. We can advertise it on the Love London website if you like. Remember, this trading day is starting at NOON (til 6pm). We are advertising **Intro meetings at 2pm and 5pm**. Please phone/write the office to tell us you will offer something, so that we can assemble the programme.

Also, Mary Fee will be giving a (free to members) **demo of online** systems for managing the directory and the pledge accounts that day at 2:30 (after Intro session) followed by opportunity have taster sessions (see a separate very informative leaflet prepared by Mary about this and Mary's work with regional and national LETS). Do attend this as your input is vital in the consultation process - we will need your views before deciding whether to make no change and carry on using our elderly system (and you getting your directory only 6 monthly), to replace our old system and if we do, whether you would like it available for direct access (on-line 'banking' for pledges and searching the directory) for those who like it or leave the system in its entirety or office use only. Remember, no member will never need to use the on line system directly themselves – you can carry on as you are if you want (there will be people doing it for you just as now) but we still need to decide what to do and what not to do and for that we need YOU!

Sunday, JUNE 1 is the Camden Green Fair. WO/MAN POWER NEEDED to take a turn for an hour or two at our stall to meet new lovely people and give them leaflets about us. Please leave message at the office what/when you can help. **All NLETS work gets 10 pledges an hour.** Remember, make sure your work time for NLETS is recorded the office diary by list (eg: office work, Green fairs, etc) or individual note sent to office.

NLLETS RINGING THE CHANGES...

New Management Group ("Mancom"). At the AGM on Sat 23rd Feb 2008, we elected as Chair Henu Kalalahti, as Secretary Sue Penny, and as Joint Treasurers Elizabeth Kogawa & Brenda Wallace. Management Committee Members are: Andy Hows, Donna Lawton, Fiona Beautiful Night, Georgia Davis, Martine Allouf, Precious Martini-Brown, Rebecca Stewart, Woody Bronson and Wendy Beauchamp-Ward. Also in support are Alan Newman (Workers's Beer Company) and Mary Fee (LETSlink). Helen Berenger was thanked for her sterling work as Office Manager over a considerable period of time.

Sadly, Jo who was coordinating our **Egroup** has moved on to other things and can't do it now. So we need someone new to manage an Egroup. It might be a good idea to start a new one as some of us found the Yahoo one a bit confusing. We hear Google runs good ones, but also you could even coordinate it yourself, with appropriate pledge payment still to be decided. It can be fairly simple, easily coordinating with our beautiful membership secretary as it is specially for NLLETS members who want to trade more quickly than directories sometimes allow.

On fundraising, we also hear from Alan Newman that he may no longer be able to coordinate the NLLETS work for the Workers Beer, which gives us free entry to festivals (with meal and drinks) and much needed income to NLLETS. There is time before next late winter when the deadline would be for next season, but start thinking about it. And maybe put your name forward.

On driving and parking, we want to point out that entry for cars to Waterlow road has become restricted from Archway Rd & is now one way from Highgate Hill - meaning, when leaving, you'd have to go north in Archway Rd...I can't say everyone's been obeying this (at your own risk be it!)

Expecting to hear from you with your changes/updates/pledges/subs before April 18, and from now until June for doing the Green Fair, and/or doing a talk/demo/trade for June 7.

Best to you,
NLLETS

DIRECTORY CHANGES:

New Emails: Gwen Baak: gzaliab@gmail.com (delete old one).. Hayley Kushner, no longer has Email.

Sue Kerr no longer does ironing.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

Anthony Francis Watt 8376 2080 mangobob7@yahoo.co.uk. Wants: learn cook, learn graphic skills, try: Reiki, Acupuncture, Counselling, Shiatsu, Yoga, Psychotherapy. And: Football, basketball, tennis, Badminton, Chess, Cinema, Companionship, Walks, Having a meal with someone. Offers: Letter writing, Online research, Phone calls, Physically strong (lifting, carrying, helping), Painting/Decorating, Tidying Up, Dog Walking, Shopping, Errands, Parcel delivery, Sketching from real life, Database work, Garden tidying and maintenance (studying horticulture)

Fiona Jehu 7713 8305 Fionajehu@hotmail.com Wants: help with: computer probs, basic DIY (e.g.: putting up curtain pole), setting up DVD player, babysitting/childminding. Offers: Babysitting/childminding. Advice on: health & healing, food & nutrition for optimum health, complementary therapies, treatments for M.E./C.F.S.; Pet minding, numerology readings.

Lana Hersak 0790 583 2821 tenar6@yahoo.com Wants: venue for workshops/training; Transcendental Meditation Tuition (professional/qualified); Transactional Analysis Therapy (professional/qualified); Someone with market stall to sell my jewellery items, share profits.

Offers: SFEDI accredited experienced business adviser supporting pre-start and start-up Micro & small enterprises and can offer: Advice & Training for those wishing to start own small business/income generating activity; Advice & training on a variety of business topics: promotion, E-commerce, basic bookkeeping, pricing, intellectual property, market research, etc.; 1 to 1 or group advice/training/support; Business development workshops. |Interested to help in NLLETS office especially. Promotion & Outreach.