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Our next open meeting  
**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June:**

## **Annual General Meeting**

7 pm at the Vida Walsh Centre,  
2b Saltoun Road, SW2

Time again to report on what we have been  
doing over the past year, collect ideas for the  
year ahead, and elect committee members to  
carry them out. For details, contact the  
Secretary, Alan Piper on (020) 7207 0347 or  
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## **Open Garden Squares**

### **Weekend - 12 & 13 June**

**Growing in Brixton** event in the new  
Windrush Square – details still being  
settled but watch the website for more.

**Carnegie Library** will also be opening their  
Reading and Wildlife Garden on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>**  
as part of this weekend.

*Garden created by the Friends of Carnegie  
Library.*

## **Myatt's Fields Fair**

### **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Myatt's Fields Park, SE5, 2 pm – 5 pm

***More dates inside...***



## **Brixton Windmill go-ahead**

The Heritage Lottery Fund recently agreed  
to support the restoration of the mill – see  
page 5 for more on our local heritage.

## **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

### **First of our Summer Walks...**

#### **Rediscovering Rush Common**

Meet 2-30 pm outside Tate Library,  
Windrush Square, SW2, for a walk led by  
Alan Piper, finishing at Brixton Windmill.  
For more about Rush Common, see inside.  
A full list of guided walks in and around all of  
Lambeth is expected shortly – we will enclose  
it with this issue if received in time.

## **Windmill Festival:**

12 noon to 6 pm in Windmill Gardens,  
between Ramillies Close and Blenheim  
Gardens, Brixton Hill SW2

*Organised by Friends of Windmill Gardens*

If you can spare some time to help on our stall  
at this event (or any others), please call  
Bill Linskey on (020) 7274 3835 or by e-mail to  
[wjdc1@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:wjdc1@globalnet.co.uk)

# Diary of Events, Spring & Summer 2010

## Society Meetings

The Executive Committee usually meets on the second Thursday of the month to plan activities and agree our responses to current issues. These meetings are at 7 pm at the Vida Walsh Centre, 2b Saltoun Road, SW2 (at the Effra Road end, facing Windrush Square).

- 13 May,
- 10 June (AGM)
- 8 July,
- 9 September,
- 14 October
- 11 November

## Links with Other Groups

*Please check directly with the organisers if any queries over times or admission.*

### Thursday 15 April – Music in South London

Illustrated talk by Jill Dudman, 8 pm at the Phoenix Centre, Westow Street, SE19.  
*Norwood Society*

### Thursday 22 April – Waterloo

A live screening of Karl Gruhne's 1928 silent film, accompanied by Carl Davis's specially composed music performed by the Philharmonia Orchestra, conducted by the composer. 7 pm at Royal Festival Hall, tickets £8 to £45, box office 0844 847 9921  
*South Bank Centre*

### Saturday 24 April – Shakespeare Event

At the Carnegie Library  
*Friends of Carnegie Library.*

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Cemetery Tour:

Meet at 2-30 pm inside main gate, Norwood Road, SE27 for general tour. Suggested donation £1.  
*Friends of West Norwood Cemetery.*

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Film & Video at London Metropolitan Archives:

A tour of the film collections, led by Lydia Pappas, 6 pm at LMA, 40 Northampton Road, EC1. Free but please book prior with Nicola Avery on 020 7332 3816, [Nicola.avery@cityoflondon.gov.uk](mailto:Nicola.avery@cityoflondon.gov.uk)

*Archives for London (Brixton Society is a member).*

### Tuesday 11 May – History of London's Postal Service

Talk by Brian Bloice: hall opens at 7 pm for 7-30 start, The Housing Co-op Hall, 106 The Cut, SE1 (almost opposite the Old Vic Theatre). *Southwark & Lambeth Archaeological Society.*

### Saturday 15 May – Cemetery Open Day

11 am to 5-30 pm at Nunhead Cemetery, SE15

### Sunday 16 May – Telegraphs, semaphores and the threat of invasion:

A hilly walk, led by Brian Green. Meet at 2-30 pm by the cafe in Dulwich Park.  
*Dulwich Society*

### Wednesday 19 May – The Garden Museum:

Talk by Christopher Woodward, director of the museum in the former church by Lambeth Palace. 7-30 pm for 8 pm start at Clapham Manor School – enter from Belmont Road, SW4.  
*The Clapham Society*

### Saturday 22 May – Orchestra Concert:

Beethoven's Symphony No.2, the Oboe Concerto by Richard Strauss and Brahms's Serenade No.1. Starts 7-30 pm at All Saints' Church, Rosendale Road, SE21.

Tickets £10, concessions £8 children £1. For further dates see [www.lambeth-orchestra.org.uk](http://www.lambeth-orchestra.org.uk)

*Lambeth Orchestra*

### Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June – Bygone Streatham:

Illustrated talk by John Brown, 8 pm at Woodlawns, Streatham Darby & Joan Club, 16 Leigham Court Road, SW16.

*The Streatham Society*

### Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June – Magnificent Maps:

Antiquarian maps of London and South-East England, presented by Tom Harper of the British Library.

7-30 pm for 7-45 start, Herne Hill United Church Hall, corner of Redpost Hill and Herne Hill, SE24.

*Herne Hill Society.*

### Weekend 12 & 13 June – Open Garden Squares Weekend:

For sites and events, see [www.opensquares.org](http://www.opensquares.org)