

AGE FRIENDLY Wythenshawe

OCTOBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



fire in an arson attack.

The 16th century Wythenshawe Hall reopens to the public very soon.

The date also marks the tenth anniversary of the Friends of Wythenshawe Hall (FOWH) – a group of enthusiastic volunteers who organise cultural events and educational activities to fundraise for the hall and act to ensure that it can be open and accessible for the community as often as possible.

The current chairman is Richard Jackson, a direct descendant of the Tatton family who lived at Wythenshawe Hall, related through his tenth great grandfather to Robert Tatton who built the Tudor part of the hall.

The re-opening follows significant restoration; the building has been on Historic England's At Risk Register after the blaze damaged many of its original features.

Wythenshawe Hall dates back to 1540 and was gifted to the city of Manchester in 1926. It was the home of the Tatton family for centuries and suffered a siege during the Civil War of the 1640s.

When the arsonist set the fires, the flames spread through the entrance hall, upwards onto the first and second floors and out through the roof, destroying the bell tower. More than 50 firefighters spent two days bringing the blaze under control.

Six and a half years after it was severely damaged by Repairs included fitting a traditional slate roof. Historically, the hall roof would have been stone but severe fire damage to its timber frame meant this option was too heavy to retain. The bell tower which functioned as a chimney during the fire and helped to steer flames away from other parts of the building – was removed, repaired, and reinstalled once other work was complete.

> Extensive repair work was also needed to restore the original windows and internal woodwork The hall will be open to the public on Saturday and Sunday from 12-5pm with entertainment at specific times in the Tenant's Hall. All timings will be published on social media and on posters around the park.

The gates will be opened at 12 noon on 15th Ocober following the opening ceremony at 11am, which can be viewed from the front of the hall.

Entrance is free and the FOWH anticipate it will be popular so are asking people to book tickets via Eventbrite.

More events are planned already for October and November including an open day featuring the exhibition Who Built Wythenshawe the forgotten story of Ernest and Shena Simon that launched in July at Forum Library. Guest speakers from The University







SANTA CALLED ME TODAY

Santa said he will once again be coming to Northenden and Wythenshawe in early December.

His routes will be in the November Newsletter.

He asked if there are any groups that would love Santa to call :YAY: great then please get in touch with me and I will pass it on.

STORM TROOPERS

The storm troopers visited Wythenshawe Cricket Club during the large dog show on bank holiday Monday.

They collected money for the charity, which is for dogs rescue. What a great day and well organized by all.







EMMA FARRELL
We at the Age Friendly Network and
Wythenshawe Age Friendly want to thank
Emma Farrell

for her unfailingly kind and effective work for the Network over many years. She has supported us and kept us going particularly through the pandemic. We are sorry to see her go but wish her a brilliant new life in Galicia teaching and exploring the region.

Thanks Emma!

MRS BEETON'S COOKERY



TROUT BOIL.

Empty and wash the trout, barely cover it with hot, but not quite boiling salted water, and simmer gently from about 10 to 15 minutes according to size. Have a little melted butter sauce ready, pour over the fish and serve. add about 1 dessertspoonful of chopped gherkin, season to taste

DON'T

CLOCKS



FORGET

BACK

SUNDAY 30th OCTOBER AT 2 A.M.

THIS MONTHS QUIZ GUESS WHO









Answers to last month's quiz...

ANTHONY HOPKINS



RIHANNA



VICTORIA BECKHAM



BRAD PITT



Contact details...fredleatherbarrow@yahoo.co.uk



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FREE ENTRY I 10AM ONWARDS TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2022 WYTHENSHAWE FORUM M22 5RX







September 2022



Welcome to the start of our 2022/23 season

Tickets for all our plays are available now to purchase via Ticketsource on our website or by using this link.

https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on?q=northenden

To obtain your tickets, follow the link above, then scroll down and double click on a poster of your chosen play, choose the option to buy tickets for the night you require, alternatively call the ticket number 07340 651661 to purchase your requirements.

Season tickets can still be purchased until the 15th October for all plays with the savings to be made.



The Indian Summer Group Of Wythenshawe Older Residents



In the September Indian Summer a group of Wythenshawe older residents enjoyed some tree hugging in magnificent Wythenshawe Park with Nina Fedorski from local charity Connect Support and volunteer Kevin Wright a local walks leader. We loved the truly magnificent ancient trees in the lovely parkland. If you are a local carer interested in local walks please contact Nina on 07432 186665

