

# BUSHY PARK DOGWATCH

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## Longford River Community Payback Scheme



Bushy Parks Safer Parks Team PCSO Daniel CHURCHMAN is the driving force behind this new initiative to help clean up long stretches of the sadly neglected and abused Longford River along its course through Hounslow Borough.

He is coordinating efforts between the Metropolitan Police Service, Hounslow Probation Service and Hounslow Borough Council. Daniel can be seen in this picture with our Feltham Safer Neighbourhood Team colleague PCSO Lauren STANBRIDGE

The scheme has attracted support from local businesses such as Blockbuster and MacDonalDs

It is hoped that the scheme will be extended into the Hampton stretch of the river

### **History**

*The Longford is not actually a river but a navigation which was constructed in 1638 at the instigation of Charles I in order to bring extra water into Hampton Court Place and the surrounding parkland It takes its water from the River Colne at Longford village and runs for 19 kilometres.*

The extra water that the Longford River provides has enabled the development of the water features within Bushy Park and Hampton Court Palace

To contact the Safer Parks Team please Email

**SPTBushy@met.police.uk**

Or if you do not have email call 0300 123 1212 and a message can be sent for you



*Chestnut Sunday was a bigger event this year than it has been for some years particularly with the arrival of the re-enactment society English Civil War, Ancient Greeks/Mesopotamians and World War II*

# CHESTNUT SUNDAY

## Gallery

9th May 2010



*Centre Picture:  
Vintage Police Panda car on loan from Hampton Traffic Garage*



*Above PCSO Abi Mayer Hampton North SNT.*

*Below PCSO Imram Malik of Hampton SNT*



*Above PCSO's Abi Mayer, Lorraine Childs and Marek Regan Hampton North SNT*

*Below PC Kiran Sangha, PCSO Jim Harrison & Hampton SNT Sgt Eve Woodrooffe with ladies from the British Legion*



# Injured Wildlife within Bushy Park

**Many wild animals live in Bushy Park**  
and our wildlife team look after many of them especially the Deer

**However if you are unable to contact the Royal Parks Agency Wildlife officer**

**tel. 020 8979 1586**

**you might like to try ;**

## **Injured Swans and waterfowl**

**Please feel free to contact the Swan Sanctuary**

**tel. 01932 240790**

**Please make sure you have the exact location of  
the sick or injured swan to hand for us to pass on to our rescuers**

**Or**

## **Injured Foxes, Hedgehogs etc,**

**Please contact Wildlife Aid**

**tel. 09061 800 123**

**(calls charged at 50p per min to help with funding)**

**Randalls Farmhouse, Randalls Road, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 0AL**

**Email ; [SPTBushy@met.police.uk](mailto:SPTBushy@met.police.uk)**

### **Bushy Park Safer Parks Team**

**is very happy to report**

**that we have reached**

**259 members in**

**The Dogwatch Scheme**

### **Useful TELEPHONE Numbers**

**Non emergency Police 0300 123 1212**

**The Stockyard Royal Parks Agency  
020 8979 1586**

**In an emergency always ring 999**

**State that you are in Bushy Park,  
without an 'E', near Hampton Court  
Post code **KT8 9BZ****



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# **Bushy Park Police**

## **SAFER PARKS TEAM**

### **Future Surgery Dates**

**All Surgeries run 1400—1600 hours**

**Friday 20th August 2010**

**Thursday 23rd September 2010**

**Friday 29th October 2010**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2010**

These Surgeries will all take place at the

**Welcome Centre**

which is situated in the

Pheasantry Woodland Gardens

in the entrance to the Café

No appointment is necessary

Confidential room available

# Ticks

Ticks are small creatures related to spiders which feed on animal blood. They can survive in bracken, bushes, grass, etc., and can attach themselves to animals (or human) skin if brushed past. They are common on deer and dogs in the parks.

If bitten remove the tick as soon as possible using tweezers or a tick-removal tool by grasping it as close to the skin as possible and avoiding squeezing the tick's body. Apply an antiseptic to the bite site. Check the bite site over the next month and if a rash develops or you experience flu-like symptoms consult your doctor as this may be indicative of Lyme disease, a bacterial infection spread by infected ticks although it must be stressed that human infection is rare. Symptoms resolve quickly with antibiotic treatment.

Remember to check your dogs frequently too.

For more information visit the [www.hpa.org.uk](http://www.hpa.org.uk) or [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) websites. The Royal Parks Agency also produces a leaflet entitled "*Tick Bites and Lyme Disease*".

# Weil's Disease

Weil's disease (Leptospirosis) is commonly found in slow moving and stagnant water, such as the Longford River, its tributaries and ponds.

The infection is commonly transmitted to humans by allowing water that has been contaminated by animal urine to come in contact with unhealed breaks in the skin, eyes or with the mucous membranes. It is rare in the UK. Symptoms are similar to those of influenza (flu) and can be treated by anti-biotics

*For further information visit the [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) website*

# Heron and Leg of Mutton Lakes

You will have seen a number of signs which have been placed around certain areas of water with regard to keeping your dog on a lead.  
Please comply with these signs.

# The Water Gardens and the Brew House

Please note that visitors are required to keep their dogs on a lead when inside the Water Gardens. Please keep off the grass and do not allow your dog to enter the water.

# LOST AND STRAY DOGS

## In Bushy Park

You might, or you might not be aware, that the Metropolitan Police no longer take responsibility for STRAY dogs. This task is now officially undertaken by the relevant local authority. In our case **Richmond upon Thames Council**.

Richmond Council keep a register of found and missing dogs in the Borough. In addition they will arrange for any stray dogs that are tethered to be collected and taken to Battersea Cats and Dogs Home.

### To arrange for a stray dog to be collected

#### *During office hours*

During office hours (Monday to Thursday, 9am to 5.15pm, Friday 9am to 5pm) please telephone the Residential Team on **020 8891 7800** or email [residentialeh@richmond.gov.uk](mailto:residentialeh@richmond.gov.uk)

#### *Out of office hours*

Out of office hours please telephone the Council's contractor on **084 4482 8337**  
[http://www.richmond.gov.uk/stray\\_dogs](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/stray_dogs)

### If you have lost a dog

If you have lost a dog you can telephone **Battersea Dogs & Cats Home on 020 7622 3626** or go to [www.dogshome.org](http://www.dogshome.org).

However, whilst the Safer Parks Team is still interested in Lost and Stray dogs, we no longer have responsibility for their removal.

**We are still *very* interested in any dog loose inside the Park.**

We strongly recommend that you contact us with any information regarding strays that are loose in the Park as they represent a very real danger to the deer and to themselves.

We have recently assisted in reuniting a lost dog with its owner, so it is always worth checking with us in the first instance on **020 7161 9733** or  
**by email [SPTBushy@met.police.uk](mailto:SPTBushy@met.police.uk)**

# The Friends of Bushy and Home Parks

The Friends of Bushy and Home Parks value the rural nature of these two neighbouring parks and believe that their landscapes should be protected so that future generations can enjoy their beauty and tranquillity.

The Friends watch over the parks and their wildlife, reporting problems and encouraging improvements. We liaise with Park managers and Police. The committee considers proposals for development in and around the parks, opposing planning applications for structures that would spoil the views from the parks or their rural character. We also have an active social calendar.

NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME. Do join us whether you wish to attend meetings and social gatherings or to give active help with the running of the organisation, or simply to stay in touch with what is happening in the parks. We value your support.

Find out more at

[fbhp.org.uk](http://fbhp.org.uk)

## *Contact details for Safer Neighbourhood Teams around Bushy Park*

### **Fulwell and Hampton Hill SNT**

Tel 020 8247 5815 email [Fulwell.HamptonHill.SNT@met.police.uk](mailto:Fulwell.HamptonHill.SNT@met.police.uk)

### **Hampton SNT**

Tel 020 8721 2909 email [Hampton.SNT@met.police.uk](mailto:Hampton.SNT@met.police.uk)

### **Hampton North SNT**

Tel 020 8721 2745 email [HamptonNorth.SNT@met.police.uk](mailto:HamptonNorth.SNT@met.police.uk)

### **Hampton Wick SNT**

Tel 020 8721 2908 email [HamptonWick.SNT@met.police.uk](mailto:HamptonWick.SNT@met.police.uk)

### **Teddington SNT**

Tel 020 8721 2748 email [Teddington.SNT@met.police.uk](mailto:Teddington.SNT@met.police.uk)

**BUSHY PARK VEHICLE GATE  
OPENING & CLOSING TIMES  
For 2010 - 2011**

**VEHICLE GATE OPEN 06:30 CLOSE as timetable below**

<b>Week Starting Monday</b>	<b>Vehicle Gate Close</b>	<b>Week Starting Monday</b>	<b>Vehicle Gate Close</b>
<b>18.01.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>26.07.10</b>	<b>20:30</b>
<b>25.01.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>02.08.10</b>	<b>20:15</b>
<b>01.02.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>09.08.10</b>	<b>20:00</b>
<b>08.02.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>16.08.10</b>	<b>19:45</b>
<b>15.02.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>23.08.10</b>	<b>19:30</b>
<b>22.02.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>30.08.10</b>	<b>19:15</b>
<b>01.03.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>06.09.10</b>	<b>19:15</b>
<b>08.03.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>13.09.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>15.03.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>20.09.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>22.03.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>27.09.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>29.03.10</b>	<b>19:15</b>	<b>04.10.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>05.04.10</b>	<b>19:15</b>	<b>11.10.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>12.04.10</b>	<b>19:30</b>	<b>18.10.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>19.04.10</b>	<b>19:45</b>	<b>25.10.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>26.04.10</b>	<b>20:00</b>	<b>01.11.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>03.05.10</b>	<b>20:15</b>	<b>08.11.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>10.05.10</b>	<b>20:15</b>	<b>15.11.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>17.05.10</b>	<b>20:30</b>	<b>22.11.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>24.05.10</b>	<b>20:45</b>	<b>29.11.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>31.05.10</b>	<b>20:45</b>	<b>06.12.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>07.06.10</b>	<b>21:00</b>	<b>13.12.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>14.06.10</b>	<b>21:00</b>	<b>20.12.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>21.06.10</b>	<b>21:00</b>	<b>27.12.10</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>28.06.10</b>	<b>21:00</b>	<b>03.01.11</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>05.07.10</b>	<b>21:00</b>	<b>10.01.11</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>12.07.10</b>	<b>20:45</b>	<b>17.01.11</b>	<b>19:00</b>
<b>19.07.10</b>	<b>20:45</b>	<b>24.01.11</b>	<b>19:00</b>

**Pedestrian Gates Open 24 hours except during the Deer Cull**

**Pedestrian Gates during deer cull open 08:00 a.m. locked at 10:30 p.m.**

**Woodland Gardens open 09:00 a.m. locked at dusk**

**Vehicle Gates during deer cull open at 08:00 a.m.**