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### **Tribute to Emma Davis**



by Juliet Ames-Lewis

It is with great sadness that I write to let you know that Emma died on 4 June 2020. Emma was a Trustee of The Richmond

Charities from 2010 - 2019, when she had to stand down after her diagnosis with cancer, and she was Chair from 2014 - 2018. The period when Emma was Chair was a time of great change for the charity and she was instrumental in overseeing that period and steering the charity through with her customary considered thought, care, patience and good humour. Emma was a very visible figurehead for the charity, building strong relationships with applicants and with residents, interviewing many, many current residents and attending almost every function during her time as Trustee. Emma and Nigel have over the years become a significant part of our community, attending all our parties, social events, Eve and Steve's regular quiz nights (a particular favourite), weekly and special Chapel services and both contributing to our Almshouse News.

Emma loved our community and our charity and was rightly proud of her role in it. She was committed to seeing the charity grow and improve, develop and



take on new challenges. We are indebted to her for everything she has given to our community. There were many highlights during Emma's time as Chair and Trustee, but she once told me that her proudest moment was taking the salute from the Kneller Hall Band Sergeant Major at the party for the Queen's 90th birthday in 2016 (see photo)!

We will be exploring ways in which we can pay tribute to her in the coming months. For now, if you have a glass, please raise it to Emma's memory, or perhaps you might decide to make her delicious olive oil sponge cake in tribute to her, the recipe for which was in the Easter edition of the Almshouse News.

Dear Emma, we will miss you. Rest in peace.

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# Suspension of TfL Freedom Passes

by Juliet Ames-Lewis

From 15 June, Freedom Passes will not be able to be used on any London

Transport between the peak hours of 4.30am and 9am Monday to Friday. They will still be valid at other times.

The government advice is still for everyone to avoid travelling on public transport unless absolutely necessary and I know that most of you are abiding by these guidelines. This is in your best interest and means that you are not putting yourself at risk. The Trustees and I urge you all to continue to avoid using public transport, but if you do have to, please note the above times that your Freedom Pass will not be valid.

Also, please note that wearing face masks will be mandatory when travelling on public transport from 15 June.

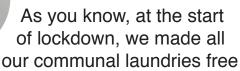


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# Use of communal laundries

by Juliet Ames-Lewis



for residents to use for the time being, so that there was no need for money or tokens to be in use which could have potentially spread the virus. Thank you for all being so diligent about keeping the laundries clean and hygienic and wiping down the machines etc.

It has been brought to my attention that a small number of residents are abusing the rules of the laundries and the generosity of the charity in making the laundries free for the time being, and washing duvets and pillows in the machines (which is not permitted), monopolising the machines - using more than one at a time - which is also not allowed, and using the laundries 2 or 3 times a day, with just a small number of items in each wash. Please use the laundries considerately - only use one machine at a time, so that others can also do their laundry, please do not wash duvets and pillows - they clog the machines up and reduce their effective life time, and please wash one full load, which is more economical, rather than a number of small loads.

### **Scammers in Richmond**

by Juliet Ames-Lewis

Sadly, we have become aware this week that scammers are still operating

in Richmond and one of our residents has unfortunately been a victim of card theft whilst taking money out from an ATM machine in Richmond centre.

The scammers usually work in pairs and try to distract you when you are entering your PIN and then are able to steal the card and they may also have memorised your PIN.

Please be vigilant and ensure that no one is standing near you when you enter your PIN – they should be standing at least 2 metres away.



### **Quiz for the Not So Young**



by Norman Bramfitt

- 1. Where in London would you find a bronze statue of Charlie Chaplin?
- 2. What was the name of the holiday camp in the the sitcom *Hi-De-Hi*?
- 3. In what year was Margaret Thatcher first elected Prime Minister, and Russia invaded Afghanistan?
- 4. Who composed the songs, *Putting on the Ritz*, *I've Got My Love to Keep Me Warm* and *White Christmas*?
- 5. Into which sea does the River Nile flow?
- 6. Who was the last British player to win the Wimbledon Women Singles Championship?
- 7. Bob Monkhouse starred in the first *Carry On* film in 1958. What was its title?
- 8. Which musical does the song *Shall We Dance* come from?

- 9. According to The Beatles song lyrics, who 'picks up the rice in the church where the wedding has been'?
- 10. Which author wrote *For Whom The Bell Tolls*?
- 11. ENSA was set up in 1939 to entertain the troops in WWII. What does it stand for?
- 12. Shirley Bassey sang the theme song to three James Bond Movies. *Moonraker* was one of them. Name the other two.
- 13. In Fawlty Towers what was Basil Fawlty's wife's christian name?
- 14. Who is the current member of Parliament for Richmond Park?
- 15. Omitting Antigua and Barbuda, there are 8 countries in the world that start and finish with the letter 'A'. How many can you name?

Answers on page 10.

#### **News-ALMSHOUSE NEWS**

# Use of Communal Gardens

by Juliet Ames-Lewis

Last week I wrote about benches and asked all residents to be considerate

of others and made the point that any resident can sit on any of the benches in our grounds.

This week I want to focus on the use of our communal gardens. The gardens are primarily for the use and enjoyment of residents. As you know, the Government has recently changed the rules to allow groups of up to 6 people to gather in parks and gardens, staying 2m apart.

We want residents to be able to meet with family and friends, but this must please be with consideration for other residents. Our gardens are not private, they are communal.

If you wish to have family or friends over, please keep the numbers as small as possible and meet with consideration for other residents.

Please be aware that if you have a small gathering, you may inadvertently be making it difficult for other residents to enjoy the communal gardens as others may feel that you are monopolising the space. Particularly with gardens at our smaller estates, it would be courteous for residents to check with their neighbours if they would be happy for them to have family or friends over.



## **Quiz: Multiple Choice General Knowledge**

- 1. What building is home to the London Philharmonic Orchestra?
- a. Barbican Centre
- b. Royal College of Music
- c. Royal Festival Hall
- 2. Which South American country has won the most Miss World titles?
- a. Brazil
- b. Peru
- c. Venezuela
- 3. Complete the saying: 'As rich as...'?
- a. Midas
- b. Croesus
- c. Tantalus
- 4. In The Six Million Dollar Man, which of these parts of Steve Austin was NOT replaced by bionics?
- a. His left eye
- b. His legs
- c. His right ear
- 5. The composer Berlioz was commonly known by what first name?
- a. Harold
- b. Hector
- c. Horace

- 6) British Summer Time begins on the last Sunday in which month?
- a. March
- b. April
- c. May
- 7. Which of these Bond films was released first?
- a. Die Another Day
- b. Live And Let Die
- c. Tomorrow Never Dies
- 8. Which Prime Minister did Anthony Andrews play in The King's Speech?
- a. Herbert Asquith
- b. Stanley Baldwin
- c. Winston Churchill
- 9. Which of these painters had a notorious lifelong feud with Sir Joshua Reynolds?
- a. John Constable
- b. Anthony van Dyck
- c. Thomas Gainsborough
- 10. According to the TV theme song, which superhero was in 'satin tights, fighting for your rights'?
- a. Captain America
- b. Wonder Woman
- c. Superman

Answers on page 10.

# History Quiz continued: In This Week - 15-21 June

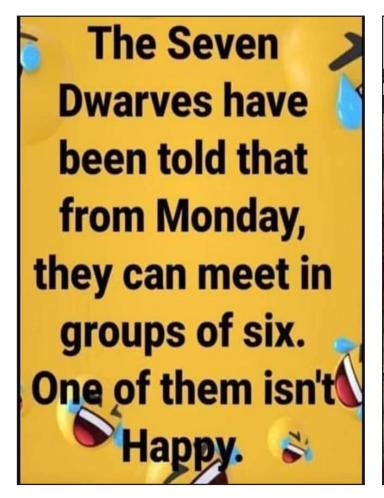
- 15. The Royal Seal was given to this charter by King John on **15 June 1215**. It was the first charter of British liberties, guaranteeing basic rights that have since become the foundation of modern democracies around the world. What is the name of this charter?
- 16. Born in Ulverston, Cumbria, on **16 June 1890**. He was a comic actor, writer and film director. Over the course of 30 years, he appeared in 107 films and cameos with his comedy partner. He died in California in 1965. Who was he?
- 17. On **17 June 1631**, Mumtaz Mahal died during childbirth. Her husband, Mughal emperor Shah Jahan I, then spent more than 20 years building her tomb. What is the name of the building?
- 18. Born in Liverpool, on **18 June 1942**. He is a singer and songwriter, and a member of two very successful bands. He is currently married to Nancy Shevell. His net worth is £800 million. Who is he?
- 19. On **19 June 1829**, this Prime Minister introduced the Metropolitan Police Act 1829 into Parliament, to establish a unified police force for London. Who was he?
- 20. On **20 June 1969**, this person became the President of France. While still in office, he died just 5 years later. Best known for his efforts to modernise Paris and the construction of a modern art museum in Marais, Paris. Who was he?

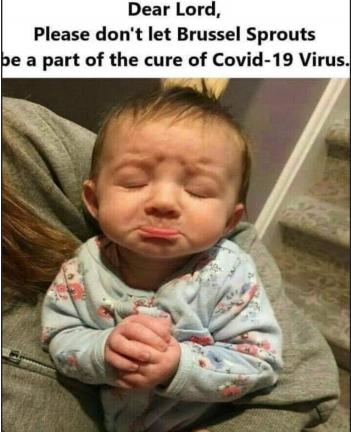


21. Born in Paris on 21 June 1905.

He was a French philosopher, playwright, novelist, screenwriter, political activist, biographer, and literary critic. Known as the 'father of existentialism' he is one of the leading figures in 20th-century French philosophy and Marxism. Who was he?

Answers on page 10.





#### Answers. Page 4. Quiz for the Not So Young.

1. Leicester Square. 2. Maplins. 3. 1979. 4. Irving Berlin. 5. Meditteranean. 6. Virginia Wade. 7. *Carry on Sergeant*. 8. *The King and I*. 9. *Eleanor Rigby*. 10. Ernest Hemingway. 11. Entertainments National Service Association. 12. *Goldfinger* and *Diamonds are Forever*. 13. Sybil. 14. Sarah Olney (LibDem). 15. Albania. Algeria. Andorra. Austria. Austrailia. Argentina. Angola. Armenia.

Answers. Page 8. Quiz: Mulitple Choice General Knowledge 1. C. 2. C. 3. B. 4. C. 5. B. 6. A. 7. B. 8. B. 9. C. 10 B.

Answers. Page 9. History Quiz continued: In This Week - 15-21 June.
15. Magna Carta. 16. Stan Laurel. 17. The Taj Mahal. 18. Paul McCartney. 19. Sir Robert Peel. 20. Georges Pompidou. 21. Jean-Paul Sartre.

#### Wordsearch

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Corona Virus was created by women.

Think about it.

Football is cancelled.

No pubs.

Isolated for 14 days, so all odd jobs get completed.

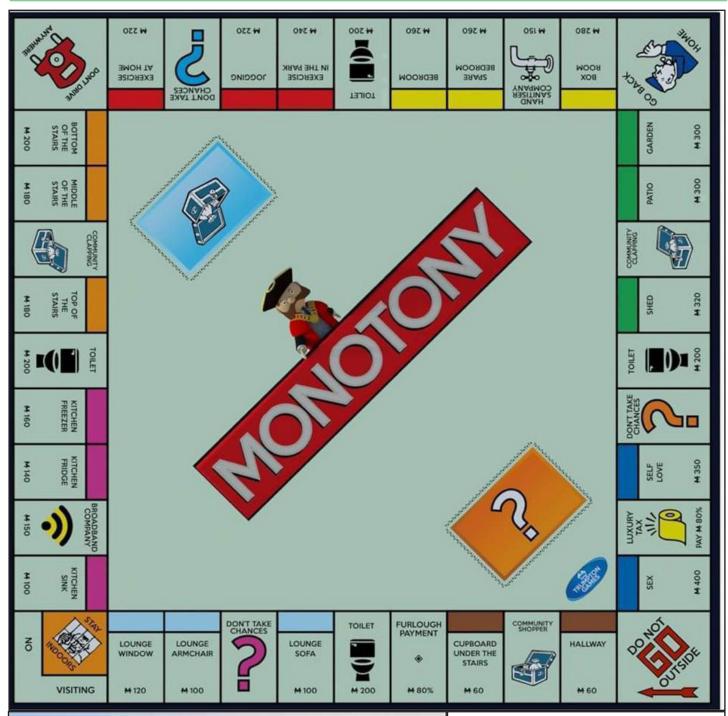
Flu like symptoms (they know how badly it affects us).

To rub salt in the wounds, they name it after a lager.

Does anyone know if we can start taking showers yet or are we still just washing our hands.?

Who'd have thought that eight weeks of uncut hair would weigh a stone... but who am I to argue with the bathroom scales?

#### **ALMSHOUSE NEWS**



Airlines sending me
"We're in this together"
emails. When my suitcase
was 52 pounds I was on
my own.

I went to an Eskimo restaurant and asked the waiter about the specials. He said: 'We've got whale meat, or whale meat, or whale meat, or whale meat, or we've got the Vera Lynn.'
I said 'What's the Vera Lynn?'
He said 'Whale meat again.....'