

East Barnet Community Festival **EBF**

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The main Music & Dance Festival in Oak Hill Park on 3rd – 5th July promotes music, dance, visual arts and drama as well as many stalls from community, charity and commercial groups. Theatre in the Park runs on weekends from Saturday 6th June, then on Sundays, with a Teddy Bears Picnic at 3pm on 14th June and continuing with touring theatre companies Sundays at 5pm to 19th July (not 5th July) ~ for details of tickets & shows see separate leaflet.

Attendance at the main Festival is reckoned to be up to 7,000 on Saturday and about 12,000 on Sunday ~ with free entry no-one is quite sure of the exact number Hammonds Funfair are on site all week, open Thursday to Sunday, and on Friday a family show is promoted by the Festival for young people including the opportunity to take part in a talent show.

The event brings together people of all ages and from all walks of life, and many neighbours and friends meet up. The food fair brings in caterers which include ethnic menus, and the licensed bar is popular. A market tent was added in 2008 and proved popular with stallholders and the general public. Many volunteers assist, and more are always welcome.

The music on the main stage is mainly by local rock and pop bands who welcome the opportunity to perform, now that so many pubs are closing and fewer local venues are available. Dance companies from all over North London perform in the darkened theatre tent. Barnet Band play on Saturday and a banjo, mandoline and guitar group on Sunday at Oak Hill Café, with its menu of Polish specialities.

New in 2009 will be jazz on Saturday 4th and classical music on Sunday 5th July in the tea tent which will be offering strawberries and cream again.

Colourscape returns on Sunday with its colourful maze and special music, and a new event will be street theatre by Barnet College and Middlesex University students in a preview of the performance they are taking to the annual International Festival at Cracow in Poland.

The dog show on Saturday is very popular, as are the Punch & Judy shows on both days and the junior schools football tournament on Sunday.

Akademie Indian dance group will offering workshops and performances on Saturday and Rithmik music centre based at Canada Villa youth club in Mill Hill will entertain on their own stage on Sunday.

To stage all this the Festival, an independent charity, relies on grants from the London Borough of Barnet and the support of sponsors and private donations. Individuals can increase their donation through Gift Aid (please complete the form below) or companies may qualify for a rebate on their Corporation Tax (please ask for the form to be sent to you).

To the Company Secretary, East Barnet Community Festival
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