



**Regency Square Area Society**

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**SUMMER IS HERE!**



Just when we were beginning to give up any thoughts of a summer we are having a heat wave! It is fantastic seeing everyone out enjoying the weather.

The joy of the warm weather for those of us who live in our central local can be a little thwarted by what is left behind by visitors to the area.

Jason Kitkat was being interviewed on TV talking about the rubbish left behind on the beaches and the problem with having more bins (we have our own problems there, see last months newsletter). Controversially those that

are solving the problem are the street sweepers on the beach clearing a sea of litter. What will we do if talks between the council and City Clean breakdown?

The Argus has started a “take it home campaign” asking people visiting the beaches to not leave their rubbish behind but to take it home as the present amount of bins cannot manage the amount of litter left. They are also asking for volunteers to get together and pick up litter from the beach. The squares also suffer from litter from picnickers perhaps we could join the Argus’s campaign, any takers?

Yet again we have road works on the front in the summer months. Getting home from a short car journey can be very frustrating.

The gardening club is having a difficult time with the hot weather. The ground is so dry weeding is near impossible. The corner of Regency Square where the portakabin had been has been seeded but has not taken very well and with the hot weather it needs constant watering. The plan now is to reseed in the Autumn.

**SIT AWHILE**



Ken Kennar’s memorial bench has been erected in Russell Square. It has been placed adjacent to Ken’s house. Reports of many visitors to the square enjoying the bench will please Ken’s family.

**ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

With the good weather also comes the rise of antisocial behaviour. The community police do move on drinkers from the squares but if you see any anti social behaviour the police want you to call them on telephone number 101. Just for the record it can take a long time for the police to take the call but once they get a message they send out a police car.



The RSAS evening to the New Ventrue Theatre was a roaring success. 10 of us were highly entertained by a Pinter double bill. The quality of acting was very high and the plays were uncharacteristically funny. The NVT is a gem of a theatre. Only a couple of minutes walk from our area to Bedford Place. They have a welcoming bar and staff. The theatre itself is intimate and comfortable. For those of you who didn’t make the last visit we will be going again soon.

**FOR YOUR DIARY**

Now the Summer is here we have decided to try a boat trip. Going from the Marina to the Piers and back. It is difficult to give a time at the moment as it is weather dependent. If you are interested give Julie a ring on 07540874455 the cost is £8.50, it lasts 45 minutes. We are planning for Saturday September 7<sup>th</sup> time to be agreed.

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The RSAS committee has been in long negotiations about the Regency Square top garden hooped railings. It had been hoped that they would be painted. There is no funding for the painting and we have looked at various options such as community service offenders. Nothing has materialised, so we have taken the decision to paint them ourselves.

Now we are looking for volunteers to give some time to take part in a rota. We shall supply the paint and brushes we just need painters. If you feel you could give some time please ring Julie on 07540874455. Thank you

## MUSIC ON A SUNDAY



Now that the Summer is with us the Bandstand's summer events have started. Sundays 2 – 4pm there will be a live band to entertain you. 28<sup>th</sup> July Brighton Youth Centre. Go to [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/bandstand](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/bandstand)

## BRIGHTONS BIG SCREEN



After last year's success on the lower promenade next to the West Pier, the free big screen is back from 30<sup>th</sup> July until 26<sup>th</sup> August. This year

it has moved to the big wheel next to Brighton Pier. It will be showing Les Miserables, Life of Pi to name but a few and this year you can pay to go VIP, otherwise it is free with a first come first served. For more information go to [www.brightonsbigscreen.com](http://www.brightonsbigscreen.com)

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## UPDATES



Discussions continue on the posts outside the Regency Tavern to return them as the picture above.

43 Russell Square. Work is going on to restore and replace some of the original features of the house. Planning permission to change the layout of the house has not been obtained so work to that effect should not be taking place.

Talks are still taking place to find a solution to the unsympathetic and obtrusive safety sign on the Regency Square car park side entrance. There is an impasse at the moment.

Broken lights in the squares are being fixed with both white and orange lights. The committee have agreed that the white lights should prevail in Regency Square rather than the mix of orange and white.