



Your free July 2010 Newsletter

Dear 'Walthamstow Memories' visitor/contributor,

thank you for the warm feedback you have given to our last newsletter: it's good to know that you enjoy the site and appreciate the efforts in keeping it up to date and, possibly, interesting to read. We had quite a number of new subscribers, now totalling approx 250! The 'buzz' is spreading!

There is one issue I would like to raise - and would very much appreciate your opinion on it - and that is the current form of 'conversation' on the site.

At present, we post the emails as we receive them, along with the email address of the sender. This method makes it easy for visitors to write directly to the author of the email, therefore starting a 'private' conversation - which is great! However, we got emails from our visitors, who wonder why their replies do not appear in our postbag, obviously thinking that all correspondence goes **through** our site. This not being the case, John & I decided to introduce a new system, giving a choice: [Private reply] or [Public reply], next to the name of the email's sender. This simple change would give you the opportunity - if you desire so - to post a 'public' reply. The former choice introduces nothing new, the latter would just copy your reply to us, so we may then post it.

Now to another innovation you might like to comment: how about sending in a small picture of yourself? I could create a **'visitors' thumbnail-photo gallery** which would 'humanize' the otherwise anonymous emails...

Finally, I would like to open a new page on "**Did you know? - Curiosities & facts on Walthamstow**", I'm gathering some bits myself, but would certainly appreciate your help. Here's one "Did you know *starter*":

"In **May 1947** a new experiment was carried out at the **Walthamstow Public Library**: a gramophone record section, with 750 works recorded on 2,000 discs, giving as complete a coverage of good, classical music as all the Assembly Hall concerts together. Intending borrowers... must live in Walthamstow and pay a deposit of **8s 6d.**, but there is no charge, except for breakage or damage, and he deposit is returnable. You must promise, however, to use **wooden or fibre needles**" (extracted from "Walthamstow Forward" no.2 Vol. 1 - May 1947).

Don't be shy: Send in your opinions & suggestions: John & I always welcome your comments and... critics too.

You may be a regular visitor or perhaps just occasional. In the latter case, we invite you to return soon and browse to see what's new and, possibly drop in your views. Why not <u>visit now</u>?

One last word: I shall be away from the middle of July 'till the last week of August and therefore my little beast (my PC) will be unattended. During that period I shall not be able to post/answer your mails... so hurry now!

Kindest regards,

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P.S. - This site is entirely run on a volountary basis and greatly depends on the personal stories & pictures you so kindly provide us with... Please continue to <u>send them in!</u>

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