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NEW LIFE AT OLD TRICKETTS

The city council having approved the plan, the former Trickets scrapyard on Trent Lane will be transformed into a play area for a range of age groups. The site will contain an adventure playground, toddlers play area, and a grass kickabout area. The main Trent Lane entrance will be retained and the existing buildings according to available finances, will be re-furbished for use as a multi-purpose hall, covered kickabout area, and storage accommodation.

The Tricketts site will replace the poorly located Daleside Road recreation ground, enabling the council to develop Daleside Road for industry.

Finance for laying out the site is available in the current INNER AREAS PROGRAM-ME, and the success of the plan is a tribute to the interest, enthusiasm, and commitment of local residents groups and the City Council. The scheme was drawn up by the City Recreation Department.

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Sneinton Mill

Sat. 12th. and Sun. 13th. of September were "Open Days" at the mill. This was quite a magnificent occasion as it had been planned to have the capping Ceremony' and hoist the newly constructed cap onto the stump. Unfortunatly, the cap was not quite ready, but this did not detract from the enjoyment of the occasion, as it gave us the opportunity to climb up to the very top of the mill and have an unrestricted view of Sneinton. Nevertheless, the ceremony was held, with speeches from the Lord Mayor, Professor Challis of Nottm. University and chairman of the George Green Memorial Fund.who master-minded the project, from Roy Craig, of the City Planning Dept. and Cllr. Hamilton of the Civic Society. The story of the restoration of the mill since 1979 was one of co-operation between the various interested parties, and special thanks were given to the Sneinton Enviromental Society for the hard work and valuable contribution they had made. The work is being supervised generally by Mr Chris Salisbury who is one of the few remaining millwrights in the country, and most of the work is being done by local people at Basford College, Peoples College. the Skillcentre and R o F.It is planned to restore some of the buildings around the mill, to make a science museum, a classroom and perhaps even to have the mill grinding corn again occasionally. This construction work will take some time, but at least we can look forward to quite a dramatic improvement in the appearance of the area in the near future, as the cap should be on soon and the park laid out and ready for use in the Spring. GH.

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SHCC Playscheme

The playscheme run by the Community Centre this summer was a great success. Especially during the last week when we had up to 60 children a day.All the trips out, most of all to the Fire Station and Police Station were enthusiastically attended.We also visited Wollaton Hall, where the morning was made even more enjoyable by the discovery of a stray stick-insect which was immediatly adopted.





the children. The rain (the first in at least 3wks) eventually stopped just as we arrived at lunchtime. The most popular

In the Centre, activities ranged from a morning of face-painting, which resulted in a number of clowns and 'Adam-Ants' running round Sneinton, to a visit by a huge inflatable.

much audience participation.

The last week was taken up with

preperations for the end-of-playscheme with all the helpers tripping over each kids back to Nottingham, full of cakes and

part of the Safari was the Monkey Jungle when.with some encouragement from our driver, the monkeys started swinging from the windscreen wipers and bouncing on the roof.Some of us were sure we recognised our relatives amongst them! The rest of the day was spent on the Amusement area. There were splash-cats and rowing-boats (no-one actually fell in) and rides and ice-creams, and a sea-lion show The highlight however, came with the trapeze and high-wire display. After the artistes had done their thing came - audience participation. Some of the kids had a walk on a small high-wire, complete with safety harness.When it came to the adults, we did manage one volunteer.Bravely Fran walked up the steps to the 30ft wire, bravely she The Sociable Theatre played for us, with waited while they fitted on the harness, and then - took it off and meekly came back down again. Even the bravest of us is bound to quake with fear sometimes! party. This meant hectic baking sessions We brought a tired and happy coachload of

work by those children taking part in the play we presented. There were costumes to be made and acts to be perfected in between all the other activities too. On the day of the party, we were very grateful for all the contributions from parents. It made the food for the party look really spectacular. About 85children attended the party, with some parents also coming to see the play-The Circus. The lions roared beautifully and the custard pies brought a lot of laughs. A number of thoroughly exhausted helpers went home at the end of the day-to prepare for the big trip to the West Midlands Safari Park.

The morning of the outing started out cloudy, and got steadily worse as we got nearer, despite the singing of some of

other in the kitchen but also a lot of laden with souvenirs. It was a fitting end to a truly enjoyable three weeks. J.H.



PHI SPOT

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The latest of our occasional series on the pubs of Sneinton focuses on "The Bendigo", and on its predecessor "The Wrestlers". The Bendigo was built in the late 1950's when it was decided that the site occupied by the Wrestlers (on the corner of Castle Street and Thurgarton Street) could not be developed and further work therefore would mean the pub closing for some time. The Home Brewery then settled for the site on Hermitage Square and on the name "Bendigo". For many years the square was unique in Britain, being the junction of seven roads (Colwick Road, Meadow Lane, Manvers Street, St Stephens Road, Sneinton Hollows, Thurgarton Street and Sneinton Boulevard). The site was at one time occupied by two rows of cottages on Thurgarton Street and Sneinton Hollows, but had lain derelict for years until the construction of the Bendigo. The closure of the Wrestlers was something that was regretted by many local people, as it was a pub of character and of characters. It was the last pub in Sneinton (and the second-to-last in Nottingham) to brew its own beer only starting to sell Home Ales in the late 1920's.

The Bendigo also has a thriving skittles team, having been promoted twice in the last two seasons in the Home Brewery Skittles League. Any skittles players in the area are welcome to go along to the Bendigo. It would not be possible to review the pub without a mention of Bendigo himself. His name is a corruption of his real name, William Abednigo Thompson. He was the English bare-fist boxing champion for over twenty years, in which time he was never beaten.

In his life his fighting was not limited to the ring, and he was sent to prison many times for offences such as drunk and disorderly. He repented though, and became a famous preacher.

He died in 1880 aged 69, and is buried in Bath Street, his grave marked by a carved stone lion.



The only statue to this remarkable man is above the main entrance to the pub, and it is with pride that the Sneinton Voice has used the figure of Bendigo as its logo representing as it does a local interest and fighting defiance. A.B.

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During the Second World War the cavecellars were used by the Customs & Excise as a bonded whisky store, and many people were unaware of the "huge" amounts of spirits that were stored there while they enjoyed a quiet drink.

The Bendigo is a surprisingly large pub, having 3 good sized rooms - Bar, Vaults and a smart lounge. It is a Home Ales managed house, current landlord having been there four years or so. (Like the best of us he is from the North East, being a native of Ferryhill). The full range of Home Ales products are sold in the Bendigo, their electrically pumped bitter and mild are reasonably priced at 44 and 42 pence per pint and all the other prices are equally reasonable.





A THANK YOU

Our local warden is going, But we can't let her go without knowing What kind of girl Julie was here And all the work she's done in the past year. She's looked after the young and the old And done a good job of it I'm told. She's run judo and Bingo and Whist And lots of things, too many to list. But it won't be the same, Not hearing her name. So let's wish her Good Luck, all the Best, And with flying colours she passes the test. (To Julie H., warden at the S.H.C.C. for the past 18 months).

WRITERS!

Many thanks for all the contributions we have received! We are sorry we could not print everything in this issue. However, no articles have been rejected, and they will be published in future issues. PLEASE KEEP WRITING! The Editorial Committee

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New life at old Trickett's (cont'd from page 1).

The noisier activities will be located in areas well away from residences in Hutton St, Davidson St, and Radbourne Rd.

The play area is bounded on by the north and west by the above three roads, on the east by Trent Lane and on south by the old railway embankment between Meadow Lane and Trent Lane.

There will be extensive tree and shrub planting, around the boundaries, and within the area, to provide screened sites for the various activities and differing age groups.

The toddlers area, in the north west corners will consist of a red tarmac base surrounded by steps, made of old railway sleepers, with seating for parents around the edge.

The semi-adventure area for older children will be separated from the toddlers area by sleepers fencing and shrubbery; a security fence will be erected at the foot of the steep railway embankment, and timber play equipment on a safety surface will be provided for the area, which will be well away from surrounding houses. A large grassed area in the centre of the site, screened by trees, will enable ball games to be played. Tricketts buildings on Trent Lane will be repaired and

converted to provide a covered play area, and a general purpose hall.

The main entrance to the area will be in Trent Lane, the "'s general approach being from Colwick Road, but there may be another entrance provided at a later date, at the opposite side of the site in the Radbourne Road estate area.



FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN SNEINTON.

Owners of buildings in the Hermitage area have expressed interest in the plans to clean buildings already begun at the junction of Meadow Lane and Sneinton Hermitage, and it is hoped that several other premises will be given similar treatment to improve the apperance of the area.

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mural, to be painted on the wall of the old railway abutment on the city side of the Hermitage on Colwick Road, which should start in the near future.



Plans are being discussed which could result in improvementtoseveral derelict British Rail sites in Meadow Lane and Trent Lane. Other schemes for improving the Sneinton environment are being investigated, including several proposed in the Sneinton Environmental Society's booklet- "Low Cost - High Impact."





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At the beginning of July we held a Summer Fayre at St.Christophers Church Hall, the proceeds of which helped towards the cost of a coach trip to Skegness in August, for anyone who was willing to put their lives in the hands of Des-the dynamic driver. A good time was had by all and we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who donated jumble and helped in other ways. On Sat. 26th. Sept. at 11am we are holding a mini-auction plus jumble sale, so if you still have any unwanted goods - we can collect - please let us know at 13, Kentwood Rd, or Tel. 57760.

RENT & RATE REBATES.

Parents, Attention Please!

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If you have boys aged between 7½ yrs to IO yrs and II yrs to I4 yrs old with nothing to do on a Friday night, why not give the I9th Boys Brigade a chance?

We can offer lots of games fun and excitement down at Albion U.R.C.Sneinton Dale opposite the Wheatsheaf public house.For junior boys we can offer lots of games, teamship, and good healthy fun in a christian atmosphere under trained supervision.

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R.E. BAPTIST, IO4 Rossington Road Sneinton Dale.

Next Month: - Homelessness.

Take a Break

Starting at St.Christophers Church Hall on October 8th. For Mums and Under Fives. Each Thursday.....10-11.30am. During School Term Only.

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You may recall a couple of issues ago, Sneinton Voice gave details of a plan whereby residents could help the Notts. Trust for Nature Conservation to keep up to date records of the areas wild plant life.Miss Palmer. of the Trust, has so far conducted a couple of walks in Sneinton to help people recognise the various species of flora so that in future we can fill in information sheets for the Trust accurately.

For the winter season, more walks are planned in the city, and on every third Thursday of the month, the Trust is

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opening its doors to anyone interested in coming along to listen to speakers talking about aspects of natural history which interest them. These meetings will be held in the Adult Education Centre on Shakespeare St. at 7pm, admission is free, and it is hoped that coffee will be available.For confirmation of the meetings and details of the programme, please contact: -Miss Palmer on Nottm. 783278. G.H.



The Melting Pot

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Tosta il pane da tutte due. Le parte ben burrato, metti il formaggio grattugliato e il burro in una pentola con il latte ed il sale e pepe e mostarda e giralo bene su una fiamma bassa,finchè il formaggio è squagliato. Metti il formaggio squagliato sopra il pane tostato e metterlo sotto la grilia.



(for 4 people.)

Ingredients;

I onion I clove of garlic fresh parsley oil to fry 2 carrots I bay leaf sprinkle of basil salt & pepper stock cube(optional) I cup of water I large tin of peeled tomatoes or 8 fresh toms. I small tin of tomatoe puree I glass of wine (or I gill beer) Ilb of spaghetti grated Parmesan cheese.

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Meanwhile cook the spaghetti in plenty of boiling salted water for 20 minutes, drain, add the sauce and serve with Parmesan cheese sprinkled over the top.

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We have arranged another Coffee Morning for Tues.6th.Oct. at 13, Kentwood Rd between 10.30am & 12noon. to give you the chance to meet us informally, get to know us better and find out how you can lend your support, so please come and have a chat and a coffee, there is no charge and if you have young children bring them along. Hope to see you there.

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