

quay notes

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Newsletter for residents of Merchants Landing
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Proposed new £13.5m Harbourside attraction

A private group called Arc are proposing to put a new Harbourside attraction in Millennium Square. A futuristic design will see a viewing pod elegantly raised 70m into the air by two super-strong carbon fibre masts. It will be solar powered and reportedly due to launch in 2022. ■



The residents of The General Hospital are trying to raise £2000 to install a public AED automatic external defibrillator in its own box somewhere on the old hospital site.

The nearest public AEDs are on Princess Street and St Thomas Street (0.4 miles and 0.5 miles away). The purchase of this AED would provide a very strategically placed public asset and potentially save lives.

Cardiac Arrests can affect people of all ages and AED devices help restart peoples hearts in these situations. They are easy to use and only provide electric shocks when they determine that it is necessary. Please help them provide this extremely helpful resource for our local community. ■

www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/aed-the-general?utm_term=jaMNpDM55

Redcliffe Tunnel cutting plans

Merchants Landing Residents are invited to attend the next Redcliffe West Residents' Forum to discuss the proposed redevelopment of the Redcliffe Tunnel cutting.

Jerry Woods (Redcliffe West Residents' Association chairman) explains that our councillors (Kye Dudd and Paul Smith) have stated that they would like to see a showing from local residents at the next Redcliffe Forum meeting to discuss the site. As Jerry explains, *'This is important, as Cllr Smith is Bristol's cabinet member for Housing, and he has previously said that he would support development on the site only IF the local community supported it.'*

Friends of Bathurst Basin have given

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reasons for strongly objecting to the proposal. To see these, please visit: www.fobb.org.uk/campaigns/railway-cutting/

The meeting is at Yeamans House, Somerset St at 18.30pm on Monday 2 December. The meeting room is on the ground floor, just to the left of the main entrance. ■



SANTAS ON THE RUN

At 11am on Sunday 8th December, fancy dress Santas will jog, run, skip or walk their way around the festive 2k course in aid of Children's Hospice South West. The organisers have put a call out for volunteers, so why not sign up and lend a helping hand? ■

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RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION & ML(A) Ltd DATES & UPDATES

AGM

REPORT

Thank you to all who attended the AGM, it was good to see some new residents.

Thank you too, to everyone who bought raffle tickets at the Summer Garden Party. We managed to raise £200 for our charity for the year, St Peter's Hospice. ■



Steve & Bob's General Knowledge Quiz

Come along to the John Sebastian at 8pm on Friday 29th November for everyone's favourite quiz. Teams of six are welcome or simply get paired up on the night. Just bring your brain and a pen! ■

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WHAT'S ON?

29 NOV
BOB & STEVE'S
QUIZ
John Sebastian

8 DEC
SANTA CHARITY
RUN

14 DEC
ILLUMINATED
BOAT PARADE

19 DEC
CAROLS &
MINCE PIES
John Sebastian

FLOATING, FESTIVE FAIRY LIGHTS



**SAT
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The 2019 Christmas Illuminated Boat Parade is due to cast off and brighten the Harbourside on Saturday 14th. The floatilla is due to set sail from Bathurst Basin at 6:30pm. It's always a very festive sight, so catch it if you can. ■

FESTIVE FUN Christmas Carols & Mince Pies

The festive season is nearly upon us, so why not get into the Christmas spirit and join the merry crew on board the John Sebastian for an evening of seasonal song and mince pie munching? ■

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UPDATE

Just a very quick note from the Amenities Company this time to say that the next director's meeting will be held on the 13th December where the directors will be discussing items raised at the recent AGM. ■

CURIOSITY

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News on the grapevine suggests talk of a duck platform on Bathurst Basin. Hopefully this initiative will provide a safer haven for our feathered friends than in years gone by. Ironically, back in 1247 Bathurst Basin was a mill pond that belonged to Treen Mill then owned by the Abbot of St Augustine's. Sadly the mill pond became the favourite duck-hunting spot of local magistrates and the gentry of Bristol. The story goes that members of the corporation had a quiet word with the Abbot and offered to give him a

piece of land called Chaunters Close in exchange for the mill pond. The Abbot duly agreed and everyone was happy. With the exception of the poor ducks that is! ■



The Merchants Landing Residents' Association Committee:

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SHUT THAT GATE!

Help keep Merchant's Landing safe and secure. If you see a gate leading into Merchant's Landing has been left open, please swing it shut! Thank you. ■

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