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November 2026 Newsletter



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GREEN PARK CELEBRATES LOCAL HEROES AT THE PRIDE OF READING AWARDS

For 22 years, the Pride of Reading Awards have recognised the local heroes, neighbourhood champions, charities, businesses and volunteers making a real difference across our exceptional town.



Green Park is proud to be a founding sponsor since the Awards began back in 2004, choosing the Local Hero category to celebrate people who go above and beyond for others in their community.

Previous winners include Donna Ferjani and Fiona Hale honoured at the Awards' 20th anniversary for their kindness and dedication to their community and Pippa Sharman (2023), an off-duty Thames Valley Police officer who saved a rival football supporter's life by pulling him from a car crash and performing CPR at the scene.

We can't forget our very own Pete Doyle, the musician, mentor and founder of Reading Rock Academy, who runs our weekly guitar classes and launched Green Park Guitar Orchestra.

We're looking forward to celebrating the day at an event that shines a light on Reading's community spirit and the people who put others first every day.



Nominee Carl Ward



Donna Ferjani and Fiona Hale



Pete Doyle



Pippa Sharman

TIME TO GET YOUR SKATES ON IN LIME SQUARE

We're bringing a touch of winter magic to Lime Square this festive season when, for the first time, Green Park is hosting its very own ice rink.

The rink will be open from 23rd November to 10th December, between 12pm and 8pm, and it's free for all Green Park occupiers. Members of the public are also welcome to join in, so bring your family and friends along too.

There's no need to bring anything with you. All equipment, including skates, is provided on arrival.
If you're new to the ice, we'll have five penguin skate aids on hand to help you glide into the distance.

Whether you're planning a team outing, a lunch-time glide or an after-work skate with colleagues, it's the perfect way to celebrate the season together. Bookings can be made via the Green Park app.



YOUR NOVEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR



CANDLE MAKING
Tuesday 3rd November



ART EXHIBITION
9th - 13th November



ICE SKATING
23rd November -
10th December



GIVING TREE
23rd November -
17th December

GREEN PARK WELCOMES WEEKEND ARTISAN MARKET

From Saturday 28th November, Green Park will host a new weekly artisan market, run by The Artisan Uprising.

The Artisan Uprising is an independent market organiser that champions local makers, growers and small businesses, founded by Jody Anderton and well-known local entrepreneur (and previous Pride of Reading winner) Claire Anderton-Bell. Now in its ninth year, it also runs the much-loved Caversham Artisan & Farmers Market, known for its friendly atmosphere, quality stallholders and strong market vibes.

The new Green Park market will run every Saturday from 9am to 3pm at Lime Square. You'll find a fantastic mix of local independent businesses selling exceptional artisan food and drink, handmade gifts, and one-of-a-kind, independent products.

With the market opening just in time for the festive season, it's the perfect place to pick up something special for friends and family while supporting local businesses. Come along to shop, explore and spend a relaxed Saturday at Green Park. Follow Jodie and her team @theartisanuprising







GREEN PARK'S ART EXHIBITION - A YEAR OF CREATIVITY

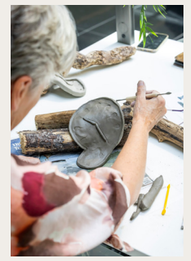
Members of Green Park's Art and Craft classes have spent the year sketching, painting and making. We're delighted that their work's now going on display.

During the week of Monday 9th November, 250 Longwater Avenue becomes a gallery for our annual art exhibition, showing the final pieces specially curated from this year's classes.

The week opens on Monday with a private view for everyone who has entered a piece, with drinks and canapés to celebrate the artists. From Tuesday 10th November, the exhibition is open to everyone on the park.

Whether you've taken part in the classes or just want a break from the screen, come along and see what our talented Green Park artists have been up to.
It's a great way to support your colleagues and neighbours - and you might even be inspired to sign up for next year's classes.







SPOTLIGHT ON... SUE AND TAMALIA REEVES

From sketching by the lake to painting inspired by Dalí, mum and daughter team Sue and Tamalia Reeves have made Green Park's Art and Craft Classes a welcoming fixture in our events calendar. With this year's exhibition around the corner, we caught up with Sue to find out more.



Q: Tell us a little bit about the Green Park Art and Craft Classes. What brought you to Green Park?
I'd known Nicole Coulson and her team for years through events. After Covid, Tamalia and I started running art and craft classes, and Green Park's events team approached us. The idea was to bring people back into the office and together, get them away from their desks at lunchtime for some serious "me time".

Art classes run monthly from March to October, finishing with an exhibition, alongside craft classes throughout the year. Each follows a theme, often an artist. We've done Dalí, and an acrylic class inspired by Vivaldi's Four Seasons. Tamalia is a Fine Art graduate and professional photographer, bringing the curating and creativity. I've run eight or nine businesses, so I look after the management side. We're so different, and it works perfectly.

Q: Why do you think people are drawn to getting creative in their working day?
We all need to switch off. It's lovely to see people arrive after a stressful morning, put paint to paper and leave an hour later feeling lighter. You can come with friends or meet new people, and get into a creative flow.

Q: How does Green Park's setting inspire your sessions?
We'll always try to get outside. In May we ran a sketching class by the lake, where everyone drew what was in front of them – we're very lucky to have the surroundings to inspire our classes.

Q:What would you say to someone who isn't sure they're "arty" or "creative" enough?
You don't need to be! This is about time for yourself and discovering a creativity you've never acknowledged.

Most people who come haven't done any serious painting since school. Every class stands alone, so just drop in, and we try all sorts, from clay and collage to fluid art.

Q:What's next for the Green Park Art and Craft Classes?
Sustainability will be our next theme reflecting what Green Park has always been about. We use sustainable materials where possible, and we've already foraged cones for next year. We'd love people to join us.



WHATS ON AT GREEN PARK IN DECEMBER

Mark your calendars as we have a whole host of events coming up next month. For more details or to book, download the Green Park app.

MONDAY

MONDAY SWEAT

Monday 12.15-13.00pm



TUESDAY

WALKING GROUP

Tuesday 12.15-13 00pm



WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY STRENGTH

Wednesday 12.15-13.00pm



GUITAR LESSONS

Wednesday 12.15-13.00pm



NAIL TECHNICIAN

Wednesday 9.30am-14.00pm



CYCLE WORKSHOP

Wednesday (first Weds of each month) 8.00am-17.00pm



THURSDAY

YOGA

Thursday 12.15-13.00pm



FRIDAY

BARBER

Friday 9.00am-18.00pm



TWICE WEEKLY

DRY CLEANING

Tues/Thurs at 10.00am



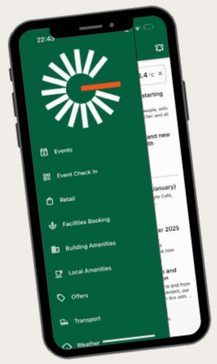
BI-WEEKLY

MASSAGE

Bi-weekly 10.00am-18.00pm







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OTHER EVENTS



BAVARIAN WINTER

Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th December



ICE SKATING

23rd November - 10th December



GIVING TREE

23rd November - 17th December



ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

Tuesday 1st December



WREATH MAKING

Wednesday 2nd December and Thursday 3rd December



GINGERBREAD DECORATING

Tuesday 8th December



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Friday 11th December

GOT SOME NEWS?

Park Life is a newsletter for you – our Green Park occupiers. And we want to shine an even brighter light on our community here in the future, bringing more companies across the park together to learn more about each other, connect and collaborate.

Park Life is launching a new insider segment, where we go behind the scenes and into the workplaces of our brilliant occupiers, to find out how you work, how you rest, and how you play. We want to share stories of what real life on Green Park feels like and what it means to you.

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