



**FRIENDS of
RICHMOND PARK**

*Protecting Richmond Park's peace and
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2021 The Friends' 60th Anniversary

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Online shop reopens

The Friends' online shop reopens in the autumn with an appealing range of gifts and souvenirs, well in time for Christmas! Items will include the ever popular Richmond Park Calendar, attractive Park themed greetings cards, plus a selection of gifts for all the family. You'll be able to order and pay online, and the items will be delivered to your door. As an added bonus, your purchases will help to support Richmond Park since the proceeds from all our sales go towards Park conservation projects. We'll let you know when it's opening in your monthly Bulletin.

Car parking charges

In March, following its consultation last year, TRP announced that it would go ahead with car parking charges once Parliament has approved them.

The charges will be £1.40 per hour from 9 to 4 on Monday to Friday, and £2 per hour from 9 to 6 on Saturday and Sunday. Blue Badge holders and motorcycles will continue to be free. The maximum stay will be 6 hours.

There are two changes from the original proposals – a reduction in the weekday hours from 9-6 to 9-4 and an increase in the charge on Saturdays from £1.40 per hour to £2 per hour. The Friends argued for both changes – the first to help regular visitors to the Park and the second because Saturdays are as busy as Sundays.

TRP says that the revenue raised "will be spent on related infrastructure such as road surface maintenance, pedestrian facilities and projects that help visitors access the Park without needing a car".

The parking charges require the approval of Parliament and TRP says they "can only be tabled when the Parliamentary timetable allows, which is unlikely to be in the near future", so there will still be free parking this summer!

Roger Hillyer elected to succeed Ron Crompton

At the Zoom AGM on 24 April, in front of around 100 screens, Ron Crompton stepped down from his 14 years as our Chairman and Roger Hillyer was unanimously elected to this role.

Ron reported on the last year and also included highlights of the Friends' 60 year history and a glimpse into the future. He was thanked for his outstanding contribution as Chairman and presented with a framed tribute from Sir David Attenborough, one of our patrons, and a wonderful pop-up card from the trustees and vice-presidents. The card was designed and made by Friends' member Valerie Reading-Kitchen to represent a bowl being made for Ron from Richmond Park oak. Ron was then elected a Vice-President of the Friends.



Meanwhile he has continued to enjoy walking and leisure cycling in the Park from his home of 25 years in East Sheen. "I've particularly enjoyed the Friends' Walks with Remarkable Trees" he says, "Each one of them is an enjoyable walk and I always learn something new about trees or about the Park itself".

Roger was quick to praise his predecessor: "What Ron has done for the Friends, and therefore for the Park, has been extraordinary. We are delighted, me especially, that he will continue to be involved through various projects and advice."

The Visitor Centre's friendly welcome to Roger 10 years ago encouraged him to sign up there and then to join the Friends. Early last year, he approached Ron Crompton to see whether there was a way he could contribute more as his full-time work in the city as a Chartered Accountant working in financial regulation was ending. This led to him taking on the roles of trustee and Honorary Secretary, quickly becoming closely involved with the management of the Friends, including helping to develop our new Volunteering and Safeguarding policies and the move of our events online with Zoom.

Roger is very much aware of the challenges facing the Park and is keen to emphasise its special and long-term nature: "It's nearly 400 years since the land was enclosed but over the past year we have witnessed how quickly the fabric of the Park can be damaged." He remembers reading the words of a previous chair, Lady Steyn, who talked of our responsibility as a generation to "leave the Park stronger and healthier than we found it. But at least – at the very least – let us do nothing which will damage or degrade it."

He is confident of the role that the Friends can continue to play. "We now have over 3,200 members and more than 250 volunteers. The tremendous support we get from our members, volunteers and trustees means that the Friends will continue to have a positive influence and impact on the Park we all love."

Long term effects of Covid on the Park



Richmond Park suffered badly during the first two lockdowns in 2020, with mounds of litter, tree damage and harassment of deer by people and dogs. But it's likely that the third lockdown, which started in early January this year, will take much longer to recover from. It could be the Park's own version of 'Long Covid'.

At the start of the lockdown, January and February brought days of heavy

rain which flooded the Park. As visitor numbers increased, the paths became muddy and pitted, and walkers found ways round the mud, widening the existing paths, creating new ones, and trampling the undergrowth and ant hills.

March and April brought much drier, almost drought, conditions, combined with unseasonably cold days and frosty nights. The earth hardened and cracked, the widened and new paths were exposed, trees were stressed, and spring's natural healing of the landscape was put on hold.

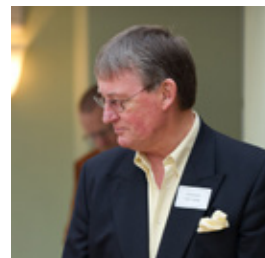
Fortunately, May has brought more rain to re-water the Park and, with the large drop in visitor numbers with the easing of lockdown, some smaller paths have begun to grass over. However, temperatures are still low and spring still weak, so the Park's recovery from the lockdown trauma is further delayed. It may well take 2-3 years for the Park to recover fully.

In the short-term, The Royal Parks has started a recovery programme, funded by a government recovery grant and Mission Invertebrate with money from the People's Postcode Lottery. The programme includes:

- Deep-spiking verges and small paths criss-crossing the landscape, to de-compact them and help their natural recovery.
- Replacing some beaten earth paths with gravel paths where the landscape is heavily eroded, to provide walkers with an all-weather surface and divert them from sensitive grassland.
- Temporarily fencing areas of grassland and anthills to help their recovery.

The likely new paths are around the north side of Sawyers Hill and down to Pen Ponds; along the east side of Lower and Upper Pen Ponds; from opposite Pembroke Lodge to Pen Ponds; and the horse ride/path on the west side of Pen Ponds Plantation. There may also be money for repairing some of the hills on the Tamsin Trail. It's an ambitious programme but still only the first step on a long road to the Park's recovery.

PJ Greeves



PJ (properly Peter John but he was always known as PJ) died suddenly in early April. He was a true Irishman – born in Belfast, he studied at Queen's University, played rugby and water polo, loved socialising and became the traditional 'wild rover', working for multinationals around the world. Finally, he came back to the UK and, after a variety of jobs, retired and settled in Richmond with his American wife Molly and devoted himself to charity work.

He was a Trustee of the Friends for ten years and led the organisation of many of the Friends' events, including our presence at local fairs and Park Open Days. He and Molly were volunteers at the Visitor Centre and for the 'Adopt an Area' litter picking – their area was around Holly Lodge.

PJ was also the Chair and a Trustee of Richmond MIND for eight years, raising awareness and understanding of mental health conditions. He had been diagnosed with bipolar disorder late in his career and, typically, spoke out about it many years before others.

Everyone in the Friends will remember PJ as a warm, kind, supportive and generous friend and colleague, with the ability to light up a room. We'll all miss him.

Daniel Hearsum



Daniel Hearsum died in early April from complications connected with cancer, aged 62. A chartered surveyor by training, in 1997 he bid for – and won – the concession from The Royal Parks to take over Pembroke Lodge, turning it from a semi-derelict building into its present glory, while at the same time developing a very successful wedding and café business that has generated substantial funding for the Park.

He was one of the three founders (along with The Royal Parks and the Friends) of the Visitor Centre in 2007 and generously allowed many Friends' events to be held at Pembroke Lodge, including our monthly talks, our 50th celebrations and our Poets' Corner event.

His Hearsum Collection, built up over the years and now containing 8,000 items, has preserved Richmond Park's history and, with Friends' volunteers help to research and catalogue it, made it available to all.

Daniel was a larger-than-life character with an enthusiasm for life, always reaching out to people wherever he went. He was a great friend of the Park and of the Friends, and his death is an enormous loss to the Richmond Park community.

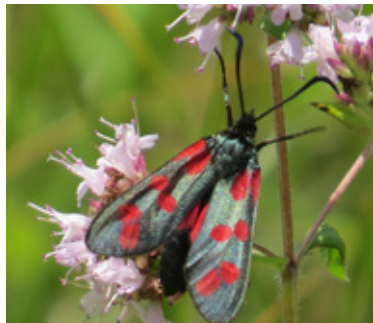
Moths of Richmond Park

by Nigel Jackman

There is much to see in the Park at the height of summer, but less often observed are moths. Being largely nocturnal and often dull-coloured, to help camouflage themselves during daytime resting, they are easily overlooked. Their importance is not to be understated, though, as they are important pollinators and a vital source of food at all stages of their life cycle to birds and other creatures.



Of our several thousand native moth species, almost 800 have been recorded in Richmond Park, some uncommon or rare. Different moths prefer different habitats such as grassland or woodland. They are divided into two categories, macro (large) and micro (small) moths. Certain moths are so alike that they can only be identified by examining dissected parts under a microscope!



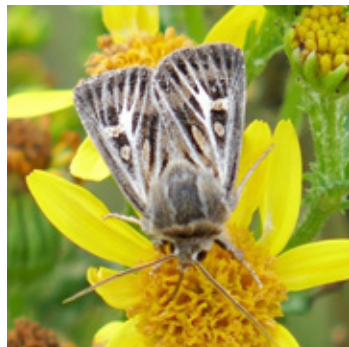
Fortunately, some moths are very colourful, rivalling our butterflies, and some are dayfliers or seen when disturbed. Amongst those you may see during the day during July and August is the cinnabar moth. This pretty black and red moth can be spotted in grassland up to July, often flying in sunshine. You will also see their black and yellow caterpillars on ragwort plants.

Another red and black moth of the grassland is the distinctive six-spot burnet, showing six red

spots on each fore-wing. These indicate to predators that it is poisonous. There is also a five-spot burnet.

A duller but distinctive smaller moth, with a name appropriate to a deer park, is the antler. Its name derives from the cream antler-shaped mark on its fore-wings. It can be found feeding on flowers such as thistles and ragwort.

The Jersey tiger (photo back cover) is a beautiful moth with creamy white strips on its fore-wing and bold orange under-wings. It is becoming increasingly common and may appear anywhere in the Park or even in your garden.

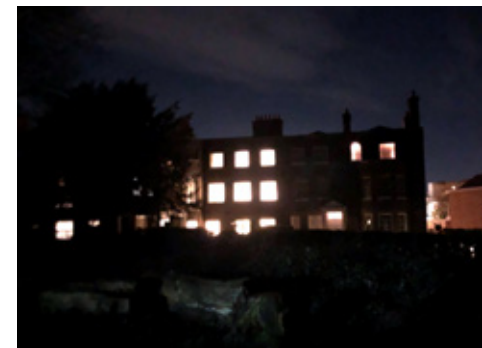


Photos: © Nigel Jackman: top, cinnabar moth; middle, six-spotted burnet; bottom, antler.

Let there *not* be light!

by Ron Crompton

Richmond Park is the darkest large open space in London and one of the few places where you can experience real darkness. This darkness supports a variety of nocturnal wildlife – light sensitive owls and bats, mammals and invertebrates.



just outside the Park perimeter (security, garden and internal light), and from the bright floodlights at Kempton Park.

The report suggests simple ways to reduce light spillage from the Park's lodges and build-

ings outside the perimeter. These include using downlighting rather than uplighting and warm rather than cool light; better direction and occupation control on security lights; and positioning internal building lights away from windows. This gives us a range of actions we can propose for existing buildings and new developments.

Earlier this year, the Friends commissioned a professional night-time light survey of the Park, with measurements at over 200 locations (it's a big park!). We had three aims: to see how dark the Park is; to investigate excessive light spillage from sources outside and inside the Park; and to see what can be done to reduce that spillage.

The survey showed that the light level virtually everywhere in the Park is equivalent to a rural area*. Some places are very dark, especially key habitats for owls and bats such as High Wood, and nearly match the darkness of National Parks.

The exceptions, which all have excessive light spillage, are at the gates (spillage from street lights), the large lodges in the Park such as Holly Lodge and White Lodge (external security lights and internal light from windows), some buildings

ings outside the perimeter. These include using downlighting rather than uplighting and warm rather than cool light; better direction and occupation control on security lights; and positioning internal building lights away from windows. This gives us a range of actions we can propose for existing buildings and new developments.

A further source of excessive light spillage is the modern high-intensity bike headlights and cyclist and runner personal head lamps. Although they pass quickly, their brightness, cool light and direction make them high impact; also, much of the spillage is in the darkest areas of the Park.

Finally, if you were hoping that the Park could become a Dark Sky location, unfortunately the night sky glow from London is just too bright.

The Friends has now formed a small volunteer group to do follow-up measurements when needed; if you'd like to join it email ron.crompton@frp.org.uk

* E2: (Rural – Low District Brightness) on the Institute of Lighting Professionals standard scale; E1 is National Parks and E0 is Dark Sky locations.

Photo © LightPad Lighting Consultancy

Bag it, Bin it, Take it Home!

by Teresa Grafton

Meet three young FRP members who love Richmond Park and hate litter! Earlier this year, Discoverers ran a competition asking children to design posters around the wording: 'Bag it, bin it, take it home'.

Our winning poster (right) is by Bebe Walkden, aged 10, who wants to be a scientist. She says, "In Richmond Park I feel I can connect strongly with nature, explore and go wild!" To Bebe, Greta Thunberg is "a true environmental hero, taking important time from her own childhood to save the planet".

We have two equal runners-up:

Olivia Mancebo, aged eight, (poster below middle) who loves playing in Richmond Park where "you can watch different types of birds, and the deer roaming around freely."



Chrissy MacLean, aged 13, (poster bottom right). Richmond Park was the first place she visited on arrival from Australia. She says "I love flying kites there [...], seeing wildlife with friends, going on school walks and just enjoying nature." She describes seeing litter scattered about the Park as devastating, and worries about the effects of increasing visitor numbers on plants and wildlife.

They all realise that posters won't stop everyone from dropping litter, and they have ideas to help: Bebe suggests a 'Love Your Richmond Park Day' once or twice a year asking everyone who visits the Park on that day to find at least one

piece of litter and throw it in the bin. This could be advertised with posters and online and have volunteers standing on each gate with bin bags.

Chrissy says that children need to be taught not to litter. Her school, the Vineyard in Richmond, emphasises the importance of recycling, and runs a gardening club.

Olivia suggests visitors could receive a mobile phone message from the Park as soon as they walk through the gates, reminding them not to litter and to respect the wildlife.

We certainly need the ideas and energy of these young Friends, and others like them.



New for children... Let's discover with Olly the little owl!



The Friends are on a new venture! Our first publication especially for children.

The book is about the four types of trees that make up over 70% of all Richmond Park's trees: oak, sweet chestnut, horse chestnut and beech.

It's also about the animals, birds and insects who rely on Richmond Park's trees for their food and shelter. Some are quick, some are slow, some are tiny, some are large, some can fly!

The key to its development has been the early involvement of primary school teachers who then recruited 10 children aged between 8 and 10 to advise us further.

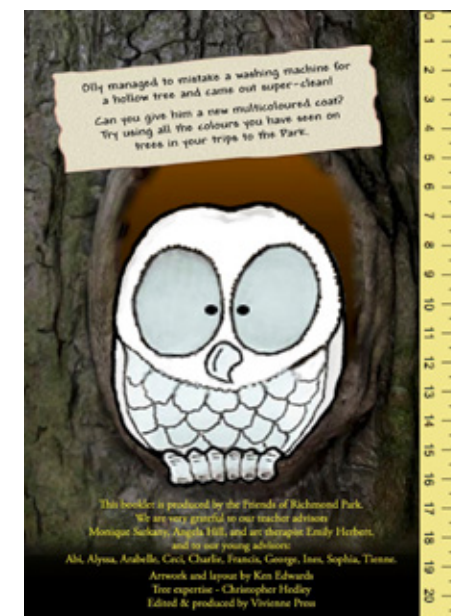
The children gave wonderful ideas – they were keen to relate the trees to the wildlife that lives on them, and wanted to have a little owl hiding on every page of the booklet.

And so Olly the little owl was born!.

The development team are all Friends' volunteers: Ken Edwards (artwork and layout), Christopher Hedley (tree specialist) and Vivienne Press (editing and production). Our advisors are teachers Angela Hill and Monique Sarkany, and art therapist Emily Herbert. All the meetings have been on Zoom and it's been great fun developing it!

Our 16 page, beautifully illustrated, colour A5 booklet is written for 7 to 11 year olds. It will be available to buy for £1.50 at the Visitor Centre in the autumn – the publication date will be announced in our September email bulletin.

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Bottom image: back cover.

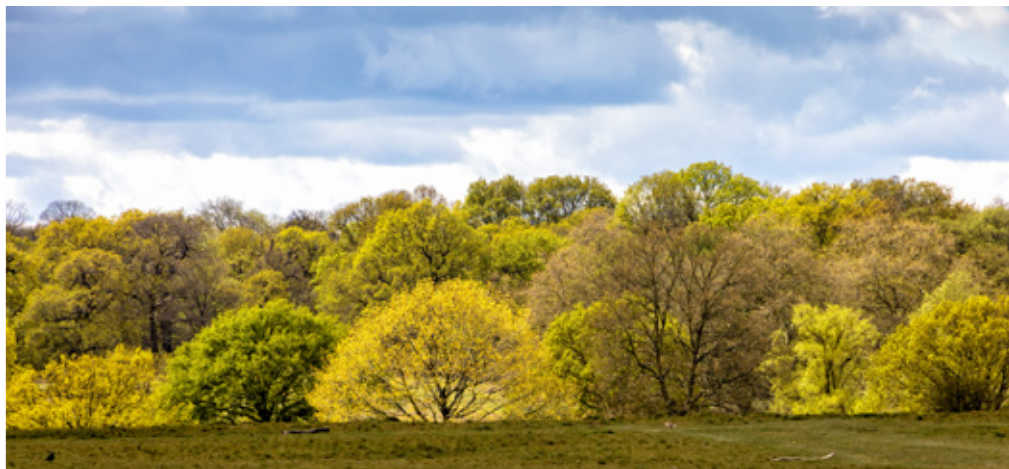


Friends' Spring Tree Photo Competition Winners

The spring competition was the last of our four seasonal tree photography competitions and each of the placed photos is by a photographer who we have seen before in the winning line-ups! You can read more about them in previous newsletters and see all the long and short listed photos at frp.org.uk/spring-photo-competition-results.

Our winner is Kasia Ciesielska-Faber (see front cover photo). She says: "Nature and photography have a special place in my heart. Exploring nature makes me happier and photography allows me to share that joy and happiness with others".

She describes how she came to take this winning photo: "On that day in April, I arrived at the Pen Ponds before six in the morning, and waited for sunrise. It was very misty by the Ponds, but as the sun began to emerge, it burned through the early mist very low to the ground to cast its golden rays across the woods. It only lasted a minute but it was overwhelming and rewarding."



Our runner-up is Nigel Attenborough (photo above). He says: "I was particularly attracted by the way the trees were lit up and the leaves made vibrant by a band of light. I also liked the variety of trees with their different shapes and colours. Realising that the light would be transitory, I took the picture from a distance with a telephoto lens. This compressed the foreground and focused attention on the trees. It's been a lot of fun taking tree pictures in Richmond Park and I've learnt a lot."



"So where are the Deer?"

by Alison Glasier

Just one of the many questions that the volunteers at the Visitor Centre address on a daily basis. Or, "*Do you sell deer food?*" (the answer is no!). Some visitors have taken the fact that Richmond Park is a nature reserve to an interesting extreme and would like to know where the lions and tigers are. Others have a more literal understanding of the word "park" and want to know why there aren't any boats on Pen Ponds. A common question is "*Where am I?*" Luckily, there are maps.

The core team of 60-70 volunteers in the Visitor Centre is ably managed by Diane Peake who also arranges the rota. The Centre is jointly run by Diane and Marilyn Watkinson who is responsible for the wide range of tasteful and ecologically sound goods on sale. Over the years, these have raised significant money for conservation projects in the Park, including funding the tern rafts on Pen Ponds.

However, all the volunteers I spoke to emphasised that the Centre is primarily an information source and the diverse team of volunteers come from many different backgrounds and countries. On several things they all seem to agree: they enjoy the interaction with the public, love seeing the children becoming engaged with nature and have expanded their own knowledge over their years in

the Centre. Some volunteers can speak other languages – a useful skill when the tourists return.

They are a supportive team and have benefited from this support over the last difficult year when the Centre has been closed, open or part-closed at various stages of the pandemic. Amazingly, despite of the problems of the pandemic, Diane managed to train up four new volunteers last year, and she has already trained three more this year.

Each volunteer commits to a minimum of two three-hour shifts per month. There are always two volunteers at a time on each shift and many firm friendships have been forged as they negotiate the challenges of meeting their visitors' needs in a calm, helpful and friendly manner. Everyone I spoke to has a very positive attitude to the people who come in; no stories of disruptive children or discontented adults (even those whose car had been blocked in the car park – a situation that is swiftly referred to the Pembroke Lodge management team).

So where are the deer? All over the place, apparently. One satisfied customer even wrote that they had loved "seeing the dears (sic)". Hopefully not referring to the volunteers...

Our third place goes to Cath Gothard (photo bottom left) who says: "The Brook is one of my favourite places in the Park; however, over the winter I rarely visited this area and didn't take a single photograph of it. It was so muddy from all the rain, and was beginning to look rather eroded, and so I decided it was better to stay away until it dried out. I think because of this, I've visited the Brook this spring more than ever. This photograph was taken on a stunning misty morning in the middle of May."

Photo competition reported by Vivienne Press. All photos are the copyright of the photographer.

Richmond Park and the birth of radio-astronomy

by Timothy Baker

Most people would associate radio astronomy with Jodrell Bank – few with Richmond Park. Yet in 1942-1948, near Sheen Cross, Stanley Hey, a radar researcher for the Army, and his team, established the first radio observatory in Britain, almost the first in the world.



We can pin down the exact site of Hey's observatory on the polo field: this photograph shows, looming out of the winter mist in the background, a clump of oaks behind the radar equipment that he used as his radio telescope. Two of these oaks are still flourishing today, with 75 years' extra growth, but recognisably the same trees. Compare Hey's photograph with the scene now as you stand in front of the goal on the first rugby ground to the east of the road up to White Lodge.

Two Americans had detected radio emissions from space before the war, but it was Hey's accidental discoveries while researching the operation of radar in Richmond Park in 1942-1944 that really launched radio astronomy.

In 1942 Hey discovered radio interference coming from the sun. In 1944 he discovered radio reflections from meteor trails in the atmosphere. The same year, while trying to

detect approaching V2 rockets, he rediscovered the cosmic interference that the Americans had found before the war.

After the war, Hey's group investigated their wartime discoveries and mapped the sky at radio frequencies. They found a source in the constellation Cygnus which fluctuated quickly, which they realised must mean that it was compact and very distant. Later called Cygnus A, it turned out to be the first known radio galaxy, 600 million light years away. These are the brightest objects in the Universe; a million times brighter at radio wavelengths than normal galaxies.

Bernard Lovell visited Richmond Park from Manchester, where with Hey's assistance he installed similar equipment for his first observatory, which was the predecessor of the giant dish at Jodrell Bank. Other observatories at Cambridge and in Australia followed.

The Richmond Park Observatory was closed in 1948. The radar experts who had launched radio astronomy went to other jobs. Richmond Park's pioneering role was overshadowed by the glamour of its offspring: Lovell's observatory at Jodrell Bank, now Britain's newest UNESCO World Heritage Site and Martin Ryle's and Antony Hewish's Nobel-Prize-winning observatory near Cambridge.

Today all traces of the historic Richmond Park radio observatory have been levelled with the grass. Only the oaks and the sky remain to tell that here radio astronomy began.

Thanks to Brendan Blake, Simon Fowler, Max Lankester, Stephen Scott, and Teresa Grafton for help with this article. A longer paper on this subject was published in the Society for the History of Astronomy's June 2021 journal "The Antiquarian Astronomer". Photo credit Richmond Park radio observatory, with kind permission of NRAO/AUI Archives, Sullivan Papers.

Freebord – The Deer's Leap

by Max Lankester and Ron Crompton

Walk out of Roehampton Gate and turn immediately left down the alley towards Palewell Common, or leave Bishop's Gate and turn right along the passage. You're now on the Park's freebord.



The freebord is a legal term ('bord' being the same word as border) and is 'the right to a narrow strip of land outside the fence or wall around a park or forest', so that the owner of the park can inspect, maintain or repair it.

Richmond Park's freebord was established when it was enclosed in 1637 and is a 'rod' wide (the old medieval measurement, equal to 16 ½ feet or about 5 metres). More romantically, it's also known as the 'deer's leap' – the story being that if an escaping deer managed to leap beyond the freebord it would no longer be on Park land and could not be recaptured.

Over the years some of the freebord has been sold off, for example most of the stretch between Petersham Gate and Ham Gate. Elsewhere it's been encroached on by developments but is still Crown land and The Royal Parks licenses it for an annual fee to people who use it. The fee currently ranges from £10 a year for a few very old licences to £200-300 for more recent ones. The licence also has restrictions on the use of the freebord, and on building and tree planting or felling on it.

There's a long list of residential properties, businesses, schools, cemeteries, public parks and gardens, allotments and public roads that have the freebord as part of the land they use. Part of the Alton Estate Junior School in Roehampton is on the freebord; the whole of the small back gardens of Florence Terrace next to Robin Hood Gate are on it and the trees on the Park side of Fife Road in Sheen are also on it.

In many areas the freebord forms an important green bridge between the Park and adjacent green spaces. There are about 1,000 trees on the freebord and The Royal Parks has the responsibility for managing them, so that they continue as valuable wildlife habitats and don't damage the wall or cause injury to local residents and the general public from falling branches.

The freebord may seem an archaic relic from 1637, but without it the repair work that The Royal Parks plans on four stretches of the wall this year would be much more difficult.

Photo: © Ron Crompton. Freebord to Bishop's Gate, with Bishop's Lodge on the left and a house on Chisholm Rd on the right.

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Let's Discover Trees and their wildlife

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Discoverers is the Friends' activities programme for families with school-age children. We hope to run a number of events this Autumn, so keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for details. You can also join our mailing list to receive advance information about these. see www.frp.org.uk/discoverers/ or

 [/thefriendsofrichmondpark](https://www.facebook.com/thefriendsofrichmondpark)

Friends' Walks

All are welcome – the Friends' Walks have restarted after a gap because of lockdown requirements. They are free and last about two hours and start from one of the car parks at 10 am on the first Saturday of each month plus the 26th of December.

Details of which car park each walk will start from can be found on the Friends' website www.frp.org.uk. Also included are the details of which gates into the Park have access to the car parks by motor vehicles, so you can plan your journey to arrive in time.

If you need more information or special support or help with the walk, please phone Ian McKenzie on 020 8943 0632 or email him at walks@frp.org.uk in advance, or phone 07340 766573 only on the day of the walk.

In addition there are informal bird walks every Friday at 9.30 am from Pen Ponds car park, accessible only via Roehampton Gate.

Dogs must be kept on leads during all walks.

Date	Starting at 10am from
7 August	Kingston Gate Car Park
4 September	Roehampton Gate Car Park
2 October	Sheen Gate Car Park (Walk the Wall)
6 November	Pembroke Lodge Car Park (Fungi)
4 December	Pen Ponds Car Park





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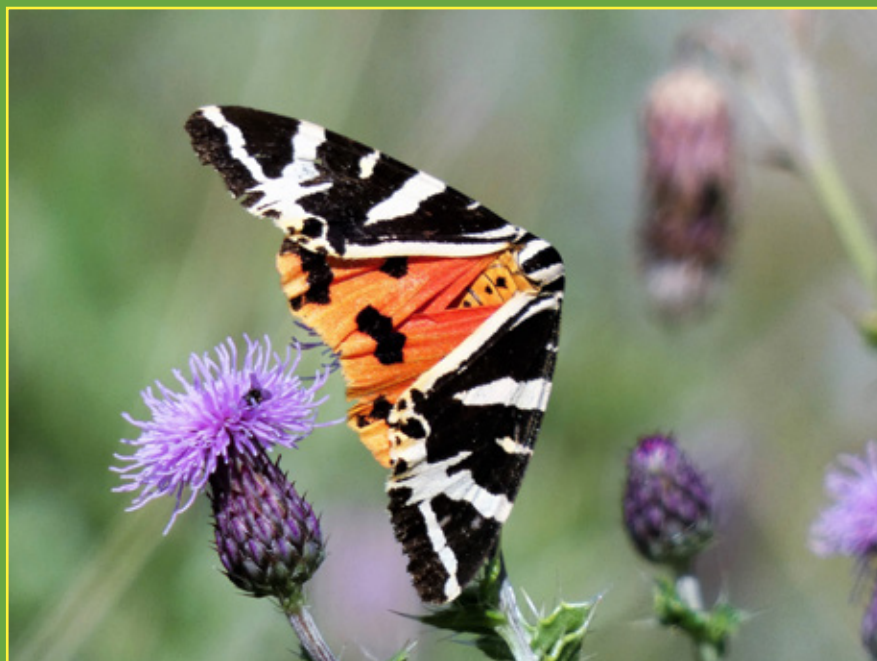
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