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Spring seems to have sprung at last – all that rain really was getting us down so it's very nice to finally see some sunshine. Richmond really is a great borough to be in when the sun's out!

Since our last newsletter we've been out and about looking for new locations and in this edition we have a yacht club and four houses to offer you, one with an interesting wood panelled living room.

Twickenham Yacht Club offers a clubhouse built around 1900 on the riverside near to York House gardens. There is a large open plan room downstairs leading to a new decked balcony overhanging the river with views downstream towards Richmond and upstream towards Eel Pie Island. Upstairs, there is a wood panelled room with bar, snooker table and seating areas.

We now have nearly 50 properties on our Private Properties register, so whatever type of house you're looking for, don't forget to look on our website, www.richmond.gov.uk/filmrichmond. Click on Photo Library - the username is locationmanager and the password is richmond.

Here are four of our recently added properties:

A spacious and quirky cottage style house built in 1840 with open plan living; a First World War semi-detached property with three bedrooms and two reception rooms; a 1930s semi-detached property recently extended to the rear to give a large open living area and last but not least, a mock Tudor, four bedroom property built in the late 1920s with extensive dark wood panelling in the hall and lounge.



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Richmond Stars

January was very quiet with the exception of Twickenham Studios who were extremely busy with Fox UK Productions feature *Frankenstein* and Thistle Films feature *The Scottish Film*. Lots of lovely parking though kept us out of mischief.

February picked up a little with a Carphone Warehouse commercial bringing their own ornate water fountain to Richmond Green. Feature film *A Little Chaos*, directed by and starring Alan Rickman together with Kate Winslet returned to Ham House and new TV comedy *Crim*s also filmed in Ham. *The One Show* filmed along the towpath at Kew and TV comedy duo Harry and Paul filmed scenes for *Harry and Paul's Story of the Twos* – a twisted look at the story of BBC Two, on Ham Lands. Lots of these productions made donations to local groups for which they were very grateful.

Ham continued to be the destination of choice for productions in March with ITV's new four part television drama *The Great Fire* filming for three days at Ham House. Short film *Meet Pursuit Delange* (written and directed by Kew resident Howard Webster) was, surprise surprise, filmed entirely in Kew with much support from local businesses and groups (including us!). The director hopes his film will do for Kew what *Notting Hill* did for, well, you know where.

M&G Investments filmed with landscape designer Cleve West on his allotment in Hampton. Gold medal-winning designer Cleve West is set to design the sponsor's garden at this years Chelsea Flower show.



Filming News

We're sure some of you will be aware that the MPS has restructured the way they plan for policing filming and events. The Operational Planning Units in boroughs that you once would have dealt with have been replaced by Area Planning Offices. Richmond falls under the West Area Hub Planning Office (based in SW6) and our new contact is PC Graham Farr who can be contacted at graham.farr@met.police.uk or on **020 7161 6444**. His details are now on our website, application forms and contracts.