



2017 - THE LUNATICS HAVE TAKEN OVER THE POLITICAL ASYLUM

Maiden Road News

2017: International Year ... of Sustainable Tourism for Development
But not in the USA if you're Muslim or Mexican;
And not in the UK if you're ... well, anyone, really.



Mere anarchy is loosed upon the World

... accompanied by the incessant clucking of chickens coming home to roost.

February



16th: Chinese lanterns at Chiswick House. This was an open-air exhibition of Chinese lantern art. Some of the exhibits were over 5m tall! (This exhibit was about 2.5m).



25th: Mum's 90th Birthday party. Daughters Nicola and Sarah, daughter-in-law Roshini, grand-daughter Louise, and great-grand-daughter Rebecca.

March



22nd: Cornwall, Siobhan and James get married. Siobhan is one of Philip's great nieces. We also got to see the three great-great nephews, Liam, Carter and Toby. Unfortunately, two of the older generation also passed away soon after the visit (Philip's cousin Geoff and his sister-in-law, Joyce).

April



29th: The Olympic park continues to be an important local asset, although developers are chipping away at it. We've already lost half of the original Olympic site, and there are more building plans. The birds didn't do too well this year, with greatly reduced nesting; but this swan family bucked the trend.

May



5-6th: Pravic goes international. I was asked to present at a teaching conference in Berlin. The venue was the Haus der Kulturen der Welt – the same place where Philip performed when he was in Berlin with the Pink Singers!

June



12th: Michael & Roshini on the Olympic Park. We visited the Orbit (which is getting quite popular, now), and Michael decided he would try the slide.

July



1st: With Sören and Bradley at the Mirror Maze in Victory Park.



5th: Pink Singers at EBay – another commissioned performance (but not *Swing low, sweet Cadillac*).



8th: Pink Singers and Rainbow Voices Mumbai at Pride. The Pinkies brought them to London Pride after visiting Mumbai to support Mumbai Pride.



15th: The Pinkies had a summer concert, From Queer to Eternity, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the partial decriminalisation of homosexuality.

August



5th: Brighton Pride. This is supposed to be the best UK Pride after London (not that we're keeping score). It was a good afternoon out, although the weather was scorching.



19th: Regents Park frieze sculpture exhibition. This is held every year, now, and always has a mix of the interesting, the attractive, and the weird.

October



25th: A Stratford sunset over the station.

That Techie Stuff

Philip: philiprescorla@yahoo.co.uk

Martin: martin.edwardes@btopenworld.com

Website: <http://martinedwardes.webplus.net/>



Wishing you a Happy Holiday and a peaceful 2018.