



The BIG Top on Sunday

The daily newsletter of The BIG Top Holiday Club for Sunday 3 August 2003;
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The BIG Top drops anchor!

News Headlines

The Arena (5-10s)

The daily drama in The Arena showed how everyone who met Jesus had their lives changed. Max Legroom compered each day's drama wearing his favourite gold and orange jacket (urgh!).

The Rainbow Tent (3-4s)

All week about 40 children have been following the story of Noah and the Ark in the Rainbow Tent. The story began with God warning Noah about the coming flood and telling him to build the Ark.



It went right through to the end of the flood with Noah's family and all the animals having been saved by the Ark. And included the rainbow being placed in the sky by God as a reminder that he will care for everyone – and for all the animals.



Colin the Cockerel

Colin the Cockerel has spent the entire week in The Rainbow Tent joining in all the fun with the children.

The Marquee (under 3s)

Children and their carers have had a lot of fun all week with games for the children and special activities for the adults.

The Rock Café (11-16s)

Every evening of the week, Monday to Friday, there has been The Rock Café for young people from 7.30pm-9.30pm.

Our cruise on The BIG Top is at an end. Bert, Lucy and Chris have all been rescued. And The BIG Top cruise ship has dropped anchor for another year.



Tales of The Arena Ships

One of the Arena teams was named after the royal yacht HMS Britannia. The yacht was really a small passenger ship which was built in 1953 for the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh to use. It is now permanently moored at Port of Leith, Edinburgh, Scotland and anyone can go on board to look at it.



HMS Britannia – the royal yacht

The same name has been used for hundreds of years for different ships of the Royal Navy.

<http://www.royalyachtbritannia.co.uk>

The BIG Top says: "The Big Top cruise liner looks just like HMS Britannia with two masts and a funnel sawn off – has anyone checked the lost and found column in this week's Court Gazette?"

Don't Forget

What's Online for Teddington?

Wot? is an internet information service for Teddington provided by Teddington Baptist Church.
Wot?: <http://come.to/Teddington>

Behind The BIG Top

The BIG Top is run by three of Teddington's churches – Baptist, Methodist and Salvation Army. See overpage for details of other youth and children's activities run by these churches.

The BIG Top Website

Throughout the year, The BIG Top website has these newsletters and photographs from The BIG Top. It has pictures and newsletters from the past three years as well.

<http://come.to/TheBigTop>

Tearfund's Ethiopian Appeal

Even if you missed The Marquee cake sale, you can still give money to the famine appeal to help people in Ethiopia and Eritrea. Tearfund is at 100 Church Road.

<http://www.tearfund.org>

Thank You, Thank You

Thank you to all those who have helped run The BIG Top, including many working behind the scenes. Special thanks to section Leaders – Pam Chapman (The Marquee), Richard Colpus (The Arena & The Rock Café), Elizabeth Hicks (The Rainbow Tent) and Claire Langley (The Arena).

The BIG Top 2004

Next year the dates planned for The BIG Top are 26-31 July. Put the dates in your diary now. Over the years we have had themes of circus, space, TV, and now a sea cruise. Next year? Come and see!

The Arena Memory Verse from Friday

Jesus said "Forget about yourself and follow me".