

Barnet CIVIC NEWS



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Thank you Barnet

'THANK YOU BARNET' — the words of the Mayor, Councillor Mrs. Edna James, at the opening of the new stables for Trigger Riding Group for the Disabled, financed by the Mayor's Appeal.

And her words were echoed by Mr. Hugh Rossi, Minister for the Disabled, who cut the white ribbon symbolising the official opening, by the Trigger volunteers — and surely by the ponies who for the first time have super stables, a paddock of their own.

Among those present at the opening were the chairman and treasurer of Trigger, Ken Coleman and Jim Starkins. The chairman and secretary of the appeal committee, Mrs. Joan Patridge and Mrs. Tessa Phillips, the Borough and Appeal Treasurer, Mr. George Hopkins, the Borough Architect, Mr. Derek Buckman, the Borough Engineer, Mr. Alan Stringer, and representatives of the many groups who contributed including the Royal Navy, the Army, RAF and Metropolitan Police. With gifts in kind the fund will probably reach a total of £30,000. Later this this year Civic News hopes to publish a feature on the new stables and the Trigger Group.

The Mayor of Barnet and the Minister for the Disabled were delighted to meet the young riders and the volunteers who make up the Trigger group. Below: The Mayor and Mayoress admire the riding print present to them on behalf of the London Region of the Riding for the Disabled Association.



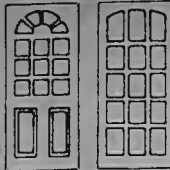
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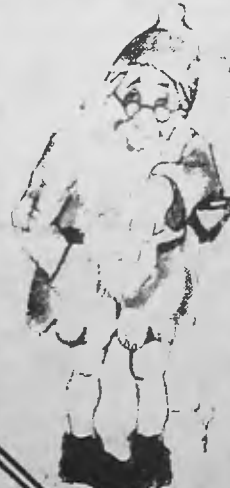
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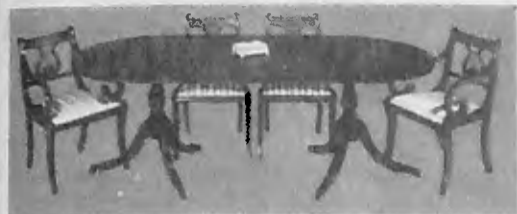


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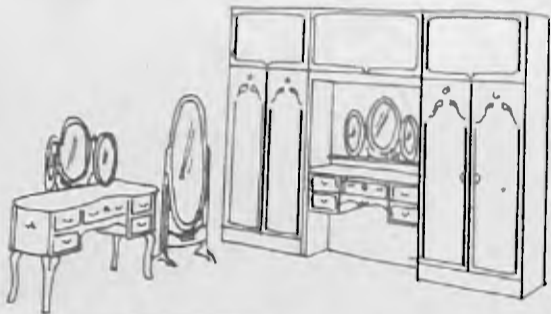
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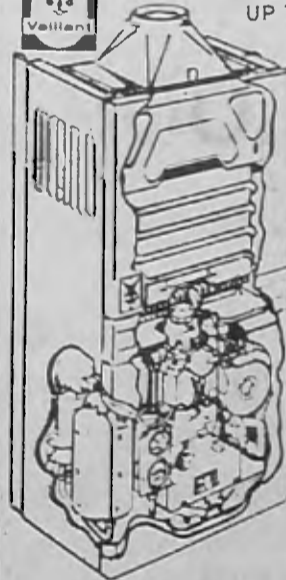
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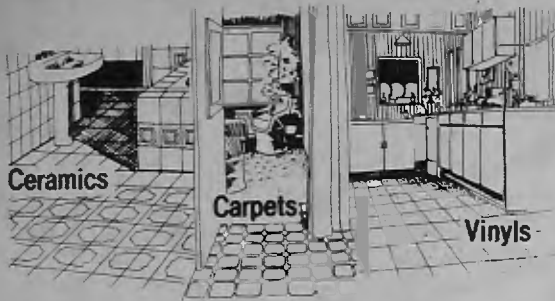
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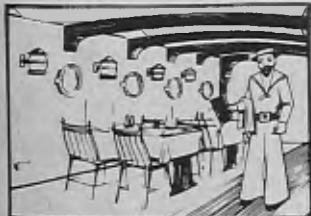
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COUNCIL MEETINGS

Members of the public are invited to attend Council and committee meetings in the Town Hall, Hendon, at 7 pm.

Monday, May 18: Finance.

Tuesday, June 2: Council Meeting.

Wednesday, June 3: Town Planning and Research.



COUNCILLOR MRS. ROSA FREEDMAN completed a 'family double' on being installed as Mayor of Barnet at the Mayor-Making ceremony in the Town Hall, Hendon, on Tuesday, May 12.

Her husband, Mr. Joe Freedman, a Freeman of the Borough, was Mayor of Barnet in 1972-73 and she was also Mayoress when he was Mayor of Hendon in 1950-51. This time Mr. Freedman will act as her Escort.

This is the third year in succession that a lady Councillor has been elected First Citizen of the Borough as she follows Councillor Mrs. Edna James and Councillor Mrs. Rita Levy, the first lady Mayor in the Borough's history.

Our new Mayor has a long record of dedicated public service. She has represented Golders Green Ward on the Council since 1964 and served on Middlesex County Council from 1955 to 1964.

During the last three years, as chairman, she has steered the Education



Mr. Joe Freedman

Committee through one of its most difficult periods as well as serving on the Establishment, Social Services and Joint Consultative Safety Committees. She has represented the Council on the London Boroughs Association Education Committee, on the governing body of Middlesex Polytechnic and as chairman of the governors of Hendon and Whitefields Schools.

She is keen on fostering international relationships and her other interests include the Save the Children Fund, the British Empire Campaign for Cancer Research and Hendon and District Archaeological Society.

She and her husband have two sons and four grandchildren.

The Deputy Mayor and Mayoress are Councillor and Mrs. Barry Francis.

A full report of the Mayor-Making ceremony will appear in the June issue of Civic News.

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It is money that few would grudge to those pensioners who make good use of

their passes, visiting friends and relatives and getting out and about around town.

But passes are sometimes taken up by pensioners who rarely travel by tube or bus and who apply for the concessionary passes just because they exist and 'might one day be useful'. These underused passes are a cost to the community with little or no benefit to the pensioners.

No one wants to stop pensioners enjoying the freedom the permits give them but it is the waste element which is of concern and Members of the Council are only concerned with drawing attention to the cost of the permits and appealing to the pension-age public not to take up the passes if they are unlikely to use them.

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Thousands of competitors will be taking part from well-known veterans of the athletics track to tomorrow's stars competing in Middlesex Schools Athletics Championships.

Come on in and take a look round in the Civic News Preview:

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That crowd over there is gathering round the five rings of the Horse Show. Certainly it's a big attraction with show jumping in the Foxhunter preliminaries leading to the Horse of the Year Show; open jumping against the clock and clear round jumping all day.

There are trade turn-outs, dressage and side saddle events, showing, including a class for ponies suitable for disabled riders. There's a light hearted note in the Gymkhana and fancy dress competition organised by the Pony Club and the Western Rodeo, and there is the private driving marathon with elegant equipages driving round the streets of Mill Hill. For the full programme see facing page.

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That great line-up of coaches says that the Middlesex Schools Athletics Championships are taking place.



Eric Kimani receives his 1980 trophy from the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Victor Lyon.

The heats start on Friday at 6 pm and again on Saturday morning. By 1.45 pm we are through to the start of the finals. Barnet Schools, both the girls' and the boys' teams, are defending champions, and all our young athletes will be hoping for selection through this event for the Middlesex team to enter the All England finals to be held at Yeovil, Somerset, on July 10 and 11.

Teams from nine boroughs of the former county of Middlesex are competing: Barnet, Brent, Ealing, Enfield, Haringey, Harrow, Hillingdon, Hounslow and Richmond. That adds up to 1,500 schoolboys and girls taking part. One young man, Eric Kimani of Christ's College, who won the Junior 800 metres last year, has gone on to win international honours at school level. And he is still young enough to

take part again this year!

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Pounding feet, road side cheers — that indicates the 10km road race is underway. This year the Veterans' and Ladies' race takes off one hour before the main open event. There should be a big entry. The London Road Runners Club, who helped stage the London Marathon, are organising the open event, and Southern Counties Veterans AAA, who are organising the Vets and Ladies, are hoping that Joyce Smith, British, European and International title holder, will take part.

Or perhaps it's the Ladies Modern Pentathlon. This was a new event last year and has grown. There are expected to be 16 competitors in this shooting, riding, running, swimming and fencing match.

Swimming — oh yes, plenty of

that. In the swimming pool complex the battle is on for the Barnet championships. These events are open to all swimmers who reside in the borough or who are members of swimming clubs based in the borough.

On Friday, June 12, it is the open championships and the two senior age group championships. On Saturday starting at 5.30 pm its younger age group events for children born between 1974 and 1969.

There is a splendid array of trophies to be won and this is an opportunity for young talent to be spotted by the Barnet Copthall team trainers who now have youngsters competing in top international events.

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Hey, we're running out of preview space! No time to tell you about the Arena Trials where motorcyclists drive over VW Beetles, and in and out of builders' skips. Or the Motoball — football on motorcycles; or the archery tournament; the Gaelic football and Hurling; the hockey matches; or the football six-a-side tournaments for all ages. And what about the cricket, and the open children's sports where you sign on on the day?

If we are to get the programme in we have no more space. So why not come and see for yourselves. Remember it's all happening at Barnet Copthall Sports Complex on June 12, 13 and 14. Entrances from The Great North Way, Hendon, and Page Street, Mill Hill. Friday from 6 pm; Saturday and Sunday from 10 am. Free admission! Ample car parking. See you there!

Where to go and What to see

FRIDAY JUNE 12

In the Stadium

6—8.30 pm: Middlesex Schools Athletic Championships. Heats.

In the Pool

6.30—9.30: Borough of Barnet individual swimming championships. Main trophies presented by Chambers of Commerce. Open events and senior age groups for swimmers born 1965 or later.

SATURDAY JUNE 13

In the Stadium

10 am—6 pm: Middlesex Schools Athletic Championships. Finals from 1.45 pm. The Mayor to present the Dr. Gurr Shield (inter borough competition) and Jubilee Trophies (boys and girls separate team performances).

3 pm: Start of 10km Road Race Veterans and Ladies sections (Williams Cup). Organisers: Southern Counties Veterans AAA.

4 pm: Start of 10km Road Race Open Section 'Trustee Savings Bank Trophy' Organisers: London Road Runners.

In the Grounds

1 pm: Football, Senior 6-a-side (Abbey Honor Trophy).

1 pm: Archery Tournament, individual and team events (Aquarius Shields).

1 pm: Gaelic Football.

2 pm: Hockey, Ladies invitation challenge Match (Laing Shield). Barnet HC v. Hendon HC.

2 pm: Cricket, Hendon RFC CC.

2 pm: MotoBall Tournament, football on motorcycles, (Metropolitan Police Truncheon).

2 pm: Motor cycle arena trials in Kick Start style.

In the Pool

5.30 pm: Age Group competitions for children born 1969 to 1974.

Ladies Modern Pentathlon

9.30 am: Riding in the Horse Show Arena.

12 noon: Fencing, Copthall School for Girls, Page Street entrance.

5.30 pm: Swimming Copthall Pool.

SUNDAY JUNE 14

In the Stadium

12 noon: Ladies Modern Pentathlon start of 2000m cross-country run.

1.30 pm: Presentation of Founders Trophy — Ladies modern pentathlon.

1—5 pm: Barnet Veterans Open Athletic Meeting.

1—5 pm: Young Athletes Competitions. (McCallum Thomson Trophy, boys and colts, Copthall Minors Trophy, minors).

In the Grounds

10 am: MotoBall Knockout Tournament (cont.).

11 am—5 pm: Hockey, Mixed Tournament (Laing Shield) organised by Barnet Hockey Club.

1 pm: Football: Junior 6-a-side Tournaments (Power Shield, Under 14s; Barnet Youth League Shield (Under 16s).

1 pm: Hurling.

3.30 pm: Children's Sports — Open to all. Join in on the day.

Ladies Modern Pentathlon

9.30 am: Shooting, East Barnet Shooting Club, Victoria Road.

12 noon: Cross country Running.

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Horse Show Programme

SATURDAY JUNE 13

Ring 1a

9.30 am—4 pm: Showing including first ponies, side saddle, hunters, riding ponies and horses.

Ring 1b

9.30 am—4 pm: Showing, including best conditioned and best turned out ponies and horses and best child rider event.

Ring 2a

9.30 am—3 pm: Showing, including Arabs and Palominos and the Lloyds Bank qualifier competition for the best riding ponies suitable for disabled riders.

Ring 2b

9.30 am—4 pm: Showing, mountain and moorland breeds, brood mares, light horses. In hand championship, gymkhana and fancy dress.

Ring 3

9.30 am—5 pm: Show Jumping including Hoechst Junior Foxhunter preliminary, Junior open and Junior Hunting Scurry.

Ring 4

9.30 am—4.30 pm: Clear Round Jumping all day.

SUNDAY JUNE 14

Ring 1

9.30 am—6 pm: Affiliated Jumping including Typesetter Stakes, P&O Ferries Sailaway Championship, Alfa Romeo London Sales Challenge, Alpine Double Glazing Accumulator Open Jumping, Scurry driving, trade and agricultural turnouts and the Private Driving Marathon (4.30 pm).

Ring 2

9.30 am—6 pm: Unaffiliated jumping, Novices and open events. Preliminary judging of Private Driving Marathon (2.45 pm) and local jumping open to residents of the borough or horses kept in the borough.

Ring 3

9.30 am—6 pm: Affiliated jumping including newcomers events and Foxhunter sections 1 & 2.

Ring 4

9.30 am—6 pm: Clear round jumping all day.

Ring 5

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Finchley Manor: 1881-1981

FINCHLEY MANOR Lawn Tennis Club, formed in 1881 by a few residents of Church End, Finchley, and reputed to be one of, if not *the*, oldest in England in continuous existence. In celebrating its 100th birthday on Saturday and Sunday, June 6 and 7, with a special centenary programme of events as its club grounds in Lyndhurst Gardens.

The game of lawn tennis was 'invented' in 1874 so it was still in its infancy when the club was formed with Mr. John Bazin, who lived at Elmstead, Hendon Lane, as its honorary secretary and treasurer. It leased a piece of land off Hendon Lane on which four grass courts were prepared — three double and one single.

Missing minutes

The club's first minute-book covering the first six years has been lost but it is recalled that the funds to form the Manor were provided by a rather autocratic group of members who each subscribed 10 guineas.

The recorded minutes of early meetings are tantalisingly obscure but the club had enough money in 1888 to add another two singles courts for £15.

Tennis has not been the club's only sporting activity. A winter golf club was formed in 1882, croquet was played almost until the outbreak of the First World War, there is a brief mention of bowls and a 'ping pong' tournament was introduced in 1901.

Declining membership has caused problems for the Manor from time to time and Mr. Bazin, resigning the secretaryship in 1895, having already handed over the finances to Mr. John Beal, the club's first men's champion in 1882, reported there were 42 members, 13 honorary members and two croquet members.

He was succeeded by Mr. Ralph Jenkins who had joined as a member in 1890 and whose influence on the club was to last for more than 60 years. He was secretary for 18 years and later president until his death in 1953. He retained the men's title for 16 years in succession from 1894 to 1909 and won it for a record 17th time in 1911.

Secretary's service

Under his guidance membership increased but the club went through a sticky period just after the turn of the century when the new landlord, Mr.



This photograph was taken in 1923 and shows members taking time out for tea in front of the pavillion. Later that year work started on a new pavilion which cost £687 and was opened in May 1924. In 1976 a modern building was completed at a cost of nearly £42,000.

Williamson, wanted part of the land off Hendon Lane for building purposes. The problem was solved when he offered the club land at the back of Dollis Avenue, its present site. Two croquet lawns and eight double tennis courts were prepared for £190 and the new season opened at the end of April, 1905.

Wartime worries

The club ran smoothly until the outbreak of the First World War when it kept going due to the devotion of a loyal band of members. In May, 1918, under the Defence of the Realm Act, the club were told that sheep should be allowed to graze on part of the land but whether they did is not recorded.

After the war the club's fortunes revived. Sunday play was introduced in 1924 after much opposition over a five-year period. In 1923 the first four hard courts were laid down and a new pavilion built at a cost of £687.

The next major landmark came in 1927 with the formation of the Finchley Manor Lawn Tennis Club Limited when the freehold of the premises was bought from Mr. Williamson's trustees for £1,700.

Members' determination again kept the club going during the Second World War but afterwards the club began to enjoy its most successful period in competitions and it also saw the emergence of Bobby Wilson, the club's most famous and outstanding player.

In spite of the club's run of successes and the introduction

of floodlit tennis in 1961, membership began to decline as the post-war boom came to an end.

But as in the past there were always members to carry on the Manor's proud tradition and follow the lead set by John Bazin, Ralph Jenkins, Arthur Searle, secretary for nearly 40 years, Major Charles Cole, a member since 1906 who succeeded Ralph Jenkins as president, Jack Cole, treasurer for 33 years, and Leslie Booth, assistant secretary, secretary and then president.

In 1962 a scheme for squash courts was introduced and thanks to the hard work of such members as Peter Rance, John Brown and Peter King the first two courts were in use by the end of 1966.

Thanks to the forward planning and vision of Peter Rance, who will be remembered for adding the words 'and Squash Rackets' to the club's title, and his committee, the club survived its financial crisis and its future was assured. A third squash court was added in 1971.

Improvements

Peter Rance and his committee did not stop there. At the end of 1976 a new pavilion costing nearly £42,000 was opened. In 1979 the two remaining grass courts were replaced by all-weather courts costing £17,000, one of them floodlit.

Then attention was focused on the fourth squash court with a glass-back wall and seating for spectators, built as part of the centenary celebrations, which will be opened by the Prime Minister, Mrs. Margaret

Thatcher, M.P. for Finchley, towards the end of May.

The old pavilion, which had served the club so well, was demolished to make way for the new squash court and future amenities are planned, including a table tennis room, a snooker room, television lounge, a large store and possibly a steward's flat.

Centenary celebrations

The centenary programme on Saturday, June 6, starting at 2 pm, includes an exhibition recalling the club's history, a demonstration of junior tennis and squash training, a mixed doubles tennis match in the costumes of 1881, a squash match between the England Ladies Squash team and the Manor men's 1st team and an exhibition men's double tennis match in which Bobby Wilson, Roger Becker, Chris Bradnam and Alan Jones will take part.

Manor membership

On Sunday, June 7, there is a tennis match between the All-England Club and Finchley Manor men's 1st team starting at 10.30 am and an American Tournament in the afternoon (2.30 pm).

The club's tennis and squash membership now stands at about 700. The new squash court, however, will allow more members to be admitted. If you are interested in joining the club please contact Peter Rance, 21 Wickliffe Avenue, Finchley, N3 (346 6835).

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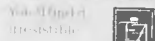
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Owen Owen, the well known department store in Finchley, who are also sponsoring the event, are staging a fashion show and members of the well known group, Wall Street Crash, will be making a personal appearance to help as judges to choose the Carnival Queen for this year's Finchley Carnival

which takes place at Victoria Park on July 9, 10 and 11.

Last year's Queen, Susan Brett, will be one of the judges and the new queen will be crowned by the Mayor of Barnet, Councillor Mrs Rosa Freedman on one of her first official engagements.

The compere for the evening will be the Editor of the *Hendon Times*, Dennis Signy.

Tickets, price 75p, are available from the Shows Organiser, Mrs. Marion Randall, London Borough of Barnet, Gateway House, 322 Regents Park Road, Finchley, N3, telephone 349 9121.

Looking ahead to Finchley Carnival, now is the time to plan your own float for the Carnival Parade on Saturday, July 11. Commercial and charity entries are very welcome in this show-piece of Barnet as a Borough. Stalls and exhibition stands at the show can now be booked. Contact the Shows Organiser on 349 9121, ext. 36.

Easy if you know where

BARNET LIBRARIES Department have published a guide on access to public libraries in the borough for disabled readers.

The leaflet is very factual and makes no bones about describing difficulties such as steps where they exist. Many of the libraries were built before the war and at that time little thought was given to providing access for people in wheelchairs.

Good access can be found at Burnt Oak, Grahame Park, Hendon and Osidge (back door). And the good news is that a ramp access is proposed for East Barnet library.

But in all cases the librarians are keen to help so if readers have any difficulties they should telephone before their visit.

If readers are housebound and have no relatives who can collect books or records for them, there is the Housebound Readers' Service which can be contacted at Ravensfield House, The Burroughs, Hendon, NW4. Telephone 202 5625. Copies of the access guide are available at libraries and at the above address.

DISABLED IN THE PICTURE

MARIA BARTHA, CRAB's resident photographer, is organising an exhibition of photographs by disabled and non-disabled photographers, to mark 1981 International Year of Disabled People.

If any disabled photographers living or working in the borough would like to discuss ideas and possibilities of displaying their own work on this theme they should write to Maria Bartha at Avenue House, East End Road, N3, telephone 449 2154.

Bells Hill Housing

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Karen Milborne



Peter Michaelson

Record breakers

TWO SWIMMERS in Barnet's successful Borough Schools Team broke records during the finals of the annual championships against teams representing schools from the nine London Boroughs of the former County of Middlesex.

Peter Michaelson achieved a new record time of 55 seconds in the final of the senior boys' 100m freestyle event. This is Peter's first year in English Schools Swimming and he looks forward to competing in the Middx-Beds-Herts and Bucks Division to decide the make-up of the teams to take part in the National Finals next October.

Peter, 16, of Morley Crescent, Edgware, attends Orange Hill School. He won his first championship at the age of 10 winning the South African

Junior Schools title and, later, the under 16 championship. He is a member of Swiss Cottage Swimming Club.

Karen Milborne established a new record time of 66 seconds for the international girls' butterfly 100m event, cutting 2.8 seconds off the previous record. The previous record holder became one of the UK's most successful swimmers — Susan Jenner, a national champion.

Karen, 15, of Woodville Road, Monken Hadley, is a fourth year pupil at Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Barnet. She spends 16 hours a week training. On April 11 she won the Hertfordshire open age group 100m butterfly championship, creating a new county junior record time of 64 seconds. Karen is a member of Potters Bar Swimming Club.

'BUBBLING' BACK A LITTLE EARLIER

THE BUBBLE THÉÂTRE is returning to the Borough of Barnet a little earlier this year, from Tuesday, June 9 to Saturday, June 13, again with a completely new repertoire.

As usual it is being presented by Barnet Borough Arts Council but there is a new venue this year. Instead of being held in Hendon Park as in previous years the Bubble Theatre will be staging their shows in Victoria Park, Ballards Lane, Finchley, which is on a main bus route and only a short walk from West Finchley Underground Station.

Once again there are shows to suit all ages including 'Dracula', an evening of horror, music and fun for all the family. Join the Count and his 'undeadly friends' for some blood-curdling entertainment in the Bubble's own inimitable style.

'Happy End' by Brecht and Weill, is set in the underworld of 1911 Chicago. A gang leader and a Salvation Army lass fall in love, to the consternation of both gang and Army. But there is a happy end and it includes some popular song numbers.

'Tales of the Mountain and the Moon' comprises a selection

of Japanese folk tales especially adapted for four- to seven-year-olds and told by Basho, the puppeteer, his assistant, Patchy, and the magician, Kami.

'The Crown and the Dagger' is an epic adventure story for seven to 12-year-olds. It has sword fights, intrigues and murder and is set in the England of 600 years ago at the time of the Black Death. Something like a Robin Hood story.

The Bubble Theatre's visit to Barnet is financially assisted by the Edward Harvist Charity which is administered by Barnet Council.

Tickets are available at the door or in advance from Nichols Travel, 72 Ballards Lane, Finchley, N3, telephone 349 2046/8. Ticket prices are: afternoon, adults 50p, children 25p; evening, adults £1, children 50p.

PROGRAMME

Tuesday and Wednesday, June 9 and 10, 7.30 pm, 'Dracula'. Thursday and Friday, June 11 and 12, 7.30 pm, 'Happy End'. Saturday, June 13, 2 pm, 'Tales of the Mountain and the Moon'; 4 pm, 'The Crown and the Crimson Dagger'; 7.30 pm, 'Dracula'.

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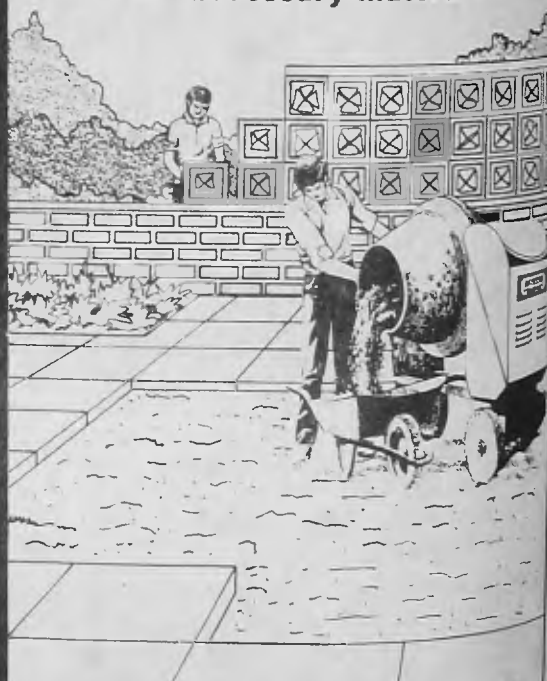
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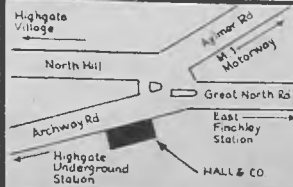
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Letters to the editor

No need for cruelty

In this year's spring publication of 'RSPCA Today', David Jacobs' quarterly article is about cats. Recently the Barnet Press published an article about some kittens having been found in a box in a rubbish bin.

I would be grateful if you could make it clear that there is no need for anyone to resort to this cruelty as they can contact the Cat Protection Society, branches of the RSPCA and the society's inspectors in almost every district. There are addresses and telephone numbers in local telephone directories and in the Yellow Pages.

There would be no unwanted kittens if owners of male and female cats would have them neutered, but I emphasise that only trained veterinary surgeons should perform such operations.

There would be no unwanted dogs, puppies, cats or kittens, if owners acted responsibly and did not buy a live animal as a toy for a small child. If old age pensioners have animals and reach a point where they cannot afford to feed them any more or

pay vets' fees, local RSPCA inspectors will answer their call for help if they will only ring, write or ask for help from one of its members or contact the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals. (PDSA).

I have friends who have four, five or even six cats they have rescued and care for, some of them pensioners and some of them unable to keep this number of animals without much self-sacrifice.

By not being responsible for the living creatures we have bought or acquired, we not only cause suffering to the animals, but place a heavy burden on those who rescue them, shelter and feed them, and find the fees to pay the vets if they are found injured or sick or need to be humanely 'put to sleep'.

Killing unwanted animals by drowning or other cruel methods is barbarous. It is breaking the law and such people can be prosecuted.

Violet I. Mitchell,
7 Langford Court,
Cockfosters

Menacing motorists

After reading the letter from Michael O'Connor in the April Civic News, I felt I must reply.

I cycle regularly and I take great exception to his comments which appear to give the impression that cyclists wearing black and without lights on their machines are in the majority and are a menace on the roads.

Well, I wear a fluorescent tabard during the day and this does not stop motorists turning left across my path, side-swiping me into kerbs, idiots opening car doors which force me to swerve out into the road, pedestrians suddenly appearing from between parked cars, vehicles shooting out of side streets directly across the road in front of me and on one occasion, being hit by the passenger of a car as it passed me.

Most cyclists are extremely careful on the road because it is obvious to all of us that if we are to reach our destination in one piece, it requires the utmost concentration and care. Granted there are a few fools who ride without lights or adequate clothing, but these are in the minority.

The idea of cyclists paying road tax might be a good idea. Then we might have more rights and be given more recognition

on the roads. We might also have more success in getting those pathetic nitwits who call themselves motorists, into court and charged with being a far greater threat to life and safety than someone pedalling along on a bike without lights.

Angela Clatworthy,
73 Addison Way,
Hampstead Garden Suburb

Please give generously

Through Civic News may I draw the attention of your readers living in the Borough of Barnet that there is to be a house-to-house collection from May 23 to June 6 in aid of the Kathleen Ferrier Cancer Research Fund at University College Hospital.

When a box is offered to you for your donation in a day of living please give generously to help this research fund which was founded as a memorial to Kathleen Ferrier whose tragically early death from cancer at the height of her career deprived the world of a very great singer.

Flora M. Swingland,
9 Charnwood Place,
Whetstone, N20

Books wanted

BOOKS — BOOKS — BOOKS wanted, especially classics, biographies, on cooking, gardening, the arts and other subjects. And, of course, paperbacks.

They are wanted by the Hampstead Garden Suburb Oxfam Group for their fourth mammoth Book Market (last year's raised nearly £5,000) to be held on Saturday, September 26. It is in aid of Oxfam's work for war and drought-ridden East Africans.

Please turn out your shelves and look out some good books now, as we spend months on sorting and pricing them and last year some offers came in too late.

We will gladly collect. Contact: Estelle Russell, tel. 435 6996; Rona Wood, 455 4395; Philip Barbour, 458 2847.

Rona Wood,
88 Hampstead Way,
NW11

Christian book centre

The story of Finchley's Christian book centre project was heard in Woman's Hour recently when Andrew Franks was interviewed by Jill Cochrane.

Andrew, a young North London photographer, gave up his photographic job in the belief that he should devote himself to setting up a centre for the sale of Christian literature, a meeting place for those sharing his commitment or in search of faith.

After a year's Bible study, Andrew gathered voluntary helpers and supporters round him. Within a few months more than £13,000 has been raised but at least £30,000 is needed to acquire shop premises. Meanwhile the centre, which is non-profit making, is operating from a temporary base at 622 High Road, North Finchley (tel. 446 3056).

One feature of the venture is that it is interdenominational and has drawn together members of a dozen local churches.

Mary Hodgkinson,
26 Beech Lawns,
Torrington Park, N12

Letters to the editor should be sent to: Civic News, Town Hall, The Burroughs, Hendon, NW4 4BG.

Craftsmen 'grandpas'

We are urgently looking for 'grandpas' over the age of 65 who have been craftsmen, cabinet makers, upholsterers or French polishers who are hiding at home — bored.

They are needed to work in our Hospital for Sick Furniture which is run by Research into Child Blindness, the only charity which will not accept donations. Our method of raising funds is wholly commercial and all funds raised go for research into the causes of blindness in children.

At the moment our workshops are so busy that we need more craftsmen and if anyone in Barnet can be of help or would like any more information, I would be pleased if they would get in touch with me on 01-794 3600.

John Buchanan,
Garrick House,
Drysdale Street, N1

Vacancies

Mill Hill Lawn Tennis Club is the only one still in existence in Mill Hill. It is a fairly small and friendly club. The grounds are behind houses in Sylvan Avenue, Woodland Way and Flower Lane, the entrance being in Sylvan Avenue.

There are three all-weather courts so tennis is played throughout the year and social activities are organised.

There are vacancies for full-time, mid-week, social (non-playing) and junior members. The children receive coaching from an LTA registered coach. Further details from the secretary, Mrs. M. J. Coulter, 25 Fairview Way, Edgware, HA8 8JE.

Mary Coulter

Established

As the 'Civic News' is now an established part of the monthly scene, I would like to congratulate you and your staff on the sustained efforts. I know that in the early days there were some sceptics who did not believe that a publication like this could continue without a massive subsidy from the rates.

I find it a very useful and interesting publication with a comprehensive summary of what is going on each month. I am sure that householders are duly grateful for it.

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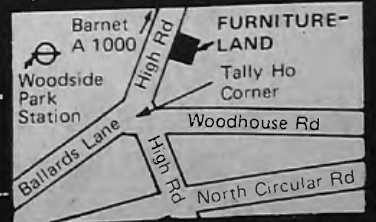
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Milldon artists go on show

JOHN SAMWORTH, chairman of the Milldon Art Society, is seen here arranging colleagues' paintings at Avenue House, Finchley, assisted by the society's secretary, Vaughan Bevan.

'The display is part of Barnet Borough Arts Council's recently introduced scheme for local art societies to decorate the main committee room,' John explained to Civic News. 'The idea was suggested by Mrs. Clara Thubrun, the Arts Council chairman. Finchley Art Society started the ball rolling with a very well received show. Now it's Milldon's

turn for the next two months.'

In addition to the display at Avenue House, Milldon Art Society will be holding its Annual Exhibition from May 18 to 23 at Hartley Hall, Mill Hill.

'The annual show is the highlight of the society's year,' John said. 'There will be over 200 new and original paintings for sale.' The exhibition will be open daily throughout the week from 10 am to 8 pm — with early closing at 7.30 pm on the Saturday for the convenience of buyers.

Picture by Philip Samworth.

CIVIC NEWS

MEET A GOLDEN GIRL — a very special girl. Meet Irene Smith who on Friday, April 3 received the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award from the Mayor of Barnet, Councillor Mrs. Edna James. The next day Irene went into St. Pancras Hospital to face a long series of treatments.

For Irene, who has lived in the Convent of St. Mary at the Cross, Hale Lane, Mill Hill, since she was six weeks old, has spina bifida and hydrocephalus, is paraplegic and partially sighted. Confined to a wheelchair she is bursting with life, outgoing and enthusiastic and happy in her relationships with others.

Her list of achievements in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme makes incredible reading in the light of her physical handicaps. For her bronze award she read to an elderly, mentally retarded lady. For her silver award she raised £40 for the work of Motive Teresa in Calcutta, and for her gold award she reads to a group of ladies in a local geriatric ward.

In the course of the projects she undertook a sociological study to discover how stroke patients are helped by the various departments of Edgeware Hospital. Last year she went to the New Forest to study local flora and for the

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MEETS A 'GOLDEN' GIRL



The Mayor of Barnet presents Irene with her gold badge of courage.

and by Mrs. Pauline Mills and Mrs. Hilda Hewins from Barnet Council's Youth and Community Service. They started Irene, and her friend Pamela Jones, who is also in a wheelchair, on the Award Scheme and Irene paid a special tribute to them when she received her badge and the congratulations of the Mayor.

Pamela has also completed the Award and will receive her brooch later this year.

The sisters in the convent also helped. 'They were fantastic, that is the only word for them,' Irene said. 'They helped me when I needed help, they let me do things for myself when I could manage them. They encouraged me at all times. Everyone has been wonderful and I am so happy that they are all here today on this wonderful occasion.'

Now Irene is in hospital. In recent months she has been having a lot of pain. She can no longer enjoy her archery and she has had to find all the courage to leave the Convent which has been her home for 23 years to undergo hospital treatment. To Irene Civic News sends a message of good wishes. 'Keep up your courage Irene. All your friends are thinking of you. You have set an example which has inspired us all.'

excursion tried her hand at catering for the expedition.

She took up archery and at first found it almost impossible to handle the bow. But she persevered and in the end she set up two new records for disabled archers.

After completing the award programme she continued to see the elderly

patients at Edgware who by this time had become her friends. 'It was a rich and rewarding experience,' she said. 'It developed from my Silver Award expedition when I visited Edgware Hospital to learn about the help given to stroke patients.'

From the beginning Irene has been helped and encouraged by her friends

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Boys raise £240 for Trigger

THE MAYOR OF BARNET, Councillor Mrs. Edna James, receives a cheque for £240 in aid of her Appeal Fund from Steven Cross in the headmaster's study at Finchley Catholic High School, Woodside Lane, North Finchley.

The money raised by a well-supported Disco held by the school fourth formers in the Sixth Form House at the school earlier in the year. It was organised for the boys by Mr. Kevin Hoare, fourth form year master, and Mr. Conn O'Halpin, sixth form year master.

Also in the picture, from left to right, are: Mr. O'Halpin, Steven Hart, Jeremy Arnull, Mr. Hoare, Peter Bann, Dean Schiavi and Kieron Ruane. With Steven Cross they were representing all six fourth forms at the



school. The headmaster Mr. J. S. A. Mumford, was also at the ceremony.

A tuck shop at the disco was run by sixth form helpers, Adriano Mendola, Daniel Worth, Paul O'Halpin and Paul Quigley, helped by Paula Filby and Ann McKenzie, of St. Michael's R.C. School, North Finchley, who are studying for

their 'A' level economics at the boys' school, and by Sarah West, Ann Nixon and Jill Coleman fifth formers from Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Barnet.

Posters advertising the disco were distributed to Q. E. Girls', St. Michael's, Southaw, Ravenscroft and Bishop Douglass schools, by Steven Cross and

fourth formers.

The disc jockey was James McHugh, a former pupil.

The Mayor, thanking the boys for their generous donation, invited them to visit the new stables for the Trigger Riding Group for the Disabled at Peniwell Farm, off Edgwarebury Lane, Elstree, when they were completed.

A first for Barnet swimmers



THE BOROUGH OF BARNET team was only one second outside the record when they won the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Tarmac Swimming Trophy for the first time at the New Pools, Notting Hill, on Thursday, April 2, beating 23 other London boroughs.

This junior mixed medley relay race — backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle — was first held six years ago. The team, Mark Matthews (Highgate School), Darren Currie (Friern Barnet County), Caroline Cooper (South Hamp-

stead) and Jill Hanley (St. Michael's, North Finchley), all aged 14, who swam in that order, won in a time of 4m.30s., beating Harrow by .89s. The team manager was Mrs Patricia Hanley, Jill's mother.

The team are all members of Barnet Copthall Swimming Club and are coached by Rick Bailey, Barnet Council's swimming development officer. Rick was recently appointed a Great Britain team coach for internationals in 1981 and the European Championships in August, 1981.

The trophy was received on

behalf of the borough by Councillor Victor Lyon, Deputy Mayor of Barnet. In our picture are, from left to right:— Back row: Mark Matthews, Darren Currie and Rick Bailey. Front row: Caroline Cooper, Jill Hanley and Mark Reynolds, of Copthall SC, who was second in the 200 metres freestyle in the ASA National Championships at Copthall Pools at the beginning of April.

behalf of the borough by Councillor Victor Lyon, Deputy Mayor of Barnet.

PLANNING CHARGES

TWO significant items of planning legislation came into force on April 1.

First, the Council will now, in most cases, have to charge a fee for dealing with a planning application. The scale ranges from £20 for applications from householders to £2,000 for major residential and commercial developments. Applications relating to work in a dwelling house to help a disabled person are exempt in certain circumstances.

Secondly, the amount by which a house or factory can be extended without planning permission is raised in some circumstances. This generally will not apply in Conservation Areas. However, it will not now be possible to build a two-storey house extension as close to a site boundary as before, without permission.

The changes do not affect the need to comply with Building Regulations.

For further information and guidance contact the appropriate Divisional Planning Offices:

Western (Wards of Burnt Oak, Colindale, Edgware, Hale, Hendon, Mill Hill, West Hendon): Barnard House, 158 Burnt Oak Broadway, Edgware (952 7722).

Central (Wards of Childs Hill, East Finchley, Finchley, Garden Suburb, Golders Green, St. Paul's, Woodhouse): 1 Friern Park, North Finchley N12 (446 3291).

Northern (Wards of Arkley, Brunswick Park, East Barnet, Friern Barnet, Hadley, Totteridge): Town Hall, Station Road, New Barnet (449 9181).

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WHAT'S ON IN BARNET

THIS LIST of activities in the Borough is open, free of charge, to all voluntary and community groups.

Entries for the July issue (July 11 to August 15) must reach the editor by June 10.

Send your entries (as brief as possible and with a contact telephone number) to Civic News, address: page 4.

***Asterisk denotes regular weekly meeting.**

Saturday May 16

5th Hendon Boys' Brigade Parents' Association Spring Fair, St. James' United Reformed Church Hall, Heather Walk, Edgware. 2.30—5 pm. Admission free. (959 0333).

Family Holiday Association Spring Fete, Hill Close, Hampstead Garden Suburb. 2 pm. Gifts, plants, food stalls, etc. (455 1777).

Good Gardeners' Association. Arkley Manor Gardens open for demonstrations of the value of composting. From 2.30 pm. (449 3031).

Spring Fayre, Mill Hill East Free Church Hall, Salcombe Gardens. Mill Hill East Playgroup. 2.30—4 pm.

Auction. 1st Lyonsdown Scout Group HQ, York Road, New Barnet. 2.30 pm. Viewing, 10 am—2 pm.

*Drama Workshop for children, The Old Bull, 68 High Street, Barnet. Ages 6—8, 4—5 pm; 7—10, 10.30 am—12.30 pm; 8—16, 1.30—3.30 pm (449 0048).

*Barnet & District Athletic Club — Senior team races. Afternoon. For details tel: 61 67888.

*Art/craft and drama workshop for children at Elizabeth Allen Teachers' Centre, Wood Street, Barnet. 9.30 am in term time (368 2772).

*Dolphin Swimming Club, Royal Free Pool, Fleet Road, NW3. 2—5 pm. (349 1844).

*Social Singles Club in Barnet area. 8 pm. (440 5075 or 440 6404).

*John Grooms flower workshop and craft centre, Ridgeway Cottage Industries. Antiques and craft market in the old swimming pool, Daws Lane, Mill Hill. 9 am—5 pm.

Sunday May 17

Finchley Horticultural Society. Sale of bedding plants, dahlias, chrysanthemums and vegetable plants. Gordon Road Allotment site. 10 am—12 noon. (349 9979).

*Barnet Table Tennis Centre, Barnet Lane, Barnet. Every evening. 7.30—11 pm. Training for youngsters. Sundays 3—5 pm (440 1721).

*Public meetings at Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 10.30 am and 6.45 pm. Adventurers 3 pm.

*Up-to-the-Centre Square Dance Club, 145 Orange Hill Road, Burnt Oak. Beginners 8 pm (959 5204).

*Bridge Lane Bridge Club, 71 Bridge Lane, Golders Green. Ev-

ery day except Friday evening. 1.30—6 pm and 7.45—11.40 pm (455 3711 and 458 1764 after 2 pm).

*Mind (voluntary mental health organisation) Social Club, Day Centre, Etchingham Park Road, Finchley N3. 3.30—7 pm (349 2930).

*Zen Meditation meeting, 91 Nether Street, North Finchley. 8 pm (445 1819).

*Bible Talk, Christadelphian Meeting House, 51 Station Road, New Barnet. 6.30 pm (441 0060 or 449 2055).

*Tae Kwon Do Club, Grahame Park Centre Point. 2—4 pm (200 7112).

Monday May 18

Finchley League of Jewish Women. Annual card luncheon and social, 7 Ashbourne Avenue, Temple Fortune. 12 noon. £3.50. (346 0246 ticket reservations).

Hampstead Garden Suburb Antiques Circle, Community Room, Bigwood House, Bigwood Road, NW11. 8 pm. (202 0269).

Friern Barnet Council for Voluntary Service. Whist Drive, Day Centre, Friern Barnet Lane, N11. 2.15 pm.

National Federation of Pensioners (Mill Hill London), John Keble

Church Hall, Deans Lane, Edgware. 1.30 pm. Report on Delegates' Conference. (959 4935).

*Barnet Chess Club, Harold Fern Room, Salisbury Road, Barnet. 7.45 pm (445 0635).

*Dog obedience training, All Saints' Parish Church Hall, Oakleigh Road North, Friern Barnet. Beginners 7.30 pm; Advanced 8.45 pm (449 4155 after 6 pm).

*Ladies meeting, East Finchley Baptist Church, Creighton Avenue, Finchley, N2 (2.30 pm).

*Boys' Brigade, 4th Finchley Company, Finchley Methodist Church, Essex Hall, Essex Park, Finchley, N3. 6—8 years, 5.30 pm; 8—11 years, 6.30 pm (446 2690).

*Silver Threads — Senior Citizens' Club, Salvation Army Citadel, Salisbury Road, Barnet. 2 pm (440 8303).

*North London Karate Club, Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Meadow, Barnet. 7.30 pm and 8.30 pm (440 7733 or 440 8633).

*Bridge at Mill Hill East Free Church, Salcombe Gardens, Mill Hill. 7.30 pm (346 5125).

*Edgware Sea Cadet Corps Boys and Girls 12-18 years. Daws Lane, Mill Hill. 7.30—9.30 pm (959 0711).

*Mind in Barnet Advice Centre, 154 Station Road, Hendon. Mondays

10 am—1 pm; Wednesdays 2—4.30 pm; Thursdays 8—10 pm.

*Livingstone Club, National Association of Women's Clubs, Bevan Park Baptist Church, Grove Road, New Barnet. 8 pm. (449 3094).

*Hendon Sea Cadet Corps — Sea and Marine Cadets 12 years plus. Cool Oak Lane, NW9. 7.30 pm. (200 6286).

*Slimming World, Quakers Meeting Hall, Rectory Lane, Edgware. 7.30 pm. (200 6180).

*Barnet Karate Centre, Reynolds Hall, East Barnet Road. Beginners classes, 7.30 pm. (203 3991). Ladies Keep Fit/Karate. 1.30 pm. (346 0630).

*Yoga, Jewish Vegetarian Society, Finchley Road, Golders Green. 10.30—noon. Beginners welcome (388 2813)

*Ha'Gan Social Club, Hampstead Garden Suburb Synagogue, Norrice Lea, Finchley N3. 1.30 pm (445 8126 or 455 4918). From June 1, snacks from 12 noon, speaker, 2 pm.

*Rhythm, movement and dance workshop, East Barnet Road. All week, evenings and day time (441 0780).

Tuesday May 19

Solo Club (for widowed, divorced and single 26—60) Finchley area. 8 pm. (346 7466 or 445 9810). Barnet Borough Arts Council AGM. Avenue House, East End Road, N3. 8 pm.

Totteridge Floral Art Society, Totteridge Village Hall, Badger's Croft, Totteridge. 'Windows on my world'. 2 pm. (445 9307).

*Barnet and District Athletic Club Training Night, Bethune Park track, Friern Barnet, 6.15 pm. Newcomers welcome (440 6588 or 441 1589).

*20th Century Sequence Dancing Club, All Saints' Hall, Oakleigh Road North, Whetstone. 7.45 pm (360 2586).

*Scottish dancing, St. Albans Church Hall, West Heath Drive, NW11. 8—10.30 pm. Children's Scottish dancing, 6.30—7.30 pm.

*Modern ballroom and Latin American dancing, Shakespear Hall, Manor Park Crescent, Station Road, Edgware. 8.30 pm (346 5868).

*Judo, The Quinta Club, Mays Lane, Barnet (449 2914).

*Hendon South Young Socialists meeting. 7 Sunnyfields Road, Hendon. 8 pm.

*Hendon South Young Conservatives meeting, 166 Station Road, Hendon. 8 pm (202 7484).

*Friern Barnet Photographic Society, St. John's Hall, Friern Barnet Lane. 8 pm (445 2617).

*West Hendon Handicraft Group, West Hendon Community Centre, West Hendon Estate. 2—4 pm (205 0514).

*The Light Brigade Club. 6—12 years. Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 6 pm (449 8200).

*Herbert Wilmot Youth Centre, Market Place, East Finchley. General Club. 7.30—10 pm.

EXHIBITIONS

May 16 to July 19

The Prince and the Paper, an exhibition of selected items from the historic newspaper library of John Frost, featuring the Prince of Wales. Church Farm House Museum, Greyhound Hill, Hendon. Open weekdays (except Tuesdays), 10 am—12.30 pm, 1.30—5.30 pm; Tuesday 10 am—1 pm; Sun. 2.30—6 pm (203 0130).

May 18 to 23

Milldon Art Society Annual Exhibition, Hartley Hall, Mill Hill. Open 10 am—8 pm. (958 5126).

Until May 22

Paintings and drawings by Thea Naylor, Stanhope Road Centre, Stanhope Road, North Finchley. Open: Mon.—Fri. 10 am—noon, 1—3.30 pm, 6.30—8.30 pm. (445 6068).

Until May 30

Paintings and sculpture by Jennifer Lipman, The Old Bull Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet. Open: Mon.—Sat. 10 am—6 pm. (449 0048).

May 22 to June 13

Ceramics by Sheila Black and paintings by Mary Radwan, The Crest Gallery, Dollisfield Library, Totteridge Lane, N20. Open: Tues., Wed. 2—5.30 pm; Fri. 11 am—1 pm, 2—5.30 pm; Sat. 11 am—1 pm, 2—4 pm. (361 9648).

May 23 to May 31

Totteridge 1981 Art Exhibition, The Village Hall, Badgers Croft, Totteridge. Opening Saturday 23, 2.30 pm—7 pm, thereafter daily from 11 am—6 pm. (445 9193).

May 27 to June 20

Oil paintings by Jacky Sturridge, North Finchley Library, Ravensdale Avenue, N12. Normal library opening hours.

May 30 to June 27

Prints by Amanda Bailey and Tes-sa Rickards, Hendon Library, The Burroughs, Hendon. Normal library opening hours.

June 1 to 20

Flower paintings by Carla Herrmann, Photographs by Alan Homes, and sculpture by Ralph Pope, The Old Bull Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet. Open: Mon.—Sat. 10 am—6 pm. (449 0048).

June 3 to 19

Pastels, pen and ink and oil paintings by Micky Slater, Stanhope Road Centre, Stanhope Road, North Finchley. Open: Mon.—Fri. 10 am—noon; 2—4 pm; 6—8 pm. (445 6088).

June 8 to 12

Hand embroidered pictures by Eileen Wilson and photographs by Frank Welsh, Adult Studies Department, 43 Flower Lane, Mill Hill. Open: Mon. 12 noon—9 pm, Tues.—Fri. 9am—9 pm. (959 6468).

WHAT'S ON

- *Prayer and Bible Study, Salvation Army Citadel, Salisbury Road, Barnet. 7.15 pm (440 8303).
- *57 Nursing Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade, Carey Hall, Claremont Road, Cricklewood. 7.30 pm (428 4529).
- *Drama workshops for 12-16 year-olds, The Old Bull Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet. 6.30-8.30 pm (449 0048).
- *Barnet Hockey Club training session, Grahame Park all-weather floodlit pitch. 8 pm (445 8968 or 61 22668).
- *East Finchley Sisterhood, Methodist Church Hall, High Road, East Finchley. 2.30 pm (444 5756).
- *Hendon Arts Theatre Workshop, Church House, Greyhound Hill, Hendon. 7.45 pm. £1 per session (non-members £1.50). Junior Workshop 6.15 pm (202 6242).
- *Old Bull Morris Dancers. Mixed sex Clog Morris Team, Assembly Hall, Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Meadway, Barnet. 7.45—9.45 pm (440 1861).
- *Manor Drive Methodist Church Wives' Club, corner of York Way and Manor Drive, N20 (during term-time). 2—3.15 pm. Creche available. (368 2193).
- *Dog Training, Reynolds Hall, East Barnet Road, New Barnet. Beginners to championship. 7.30—10.30 pm.
- *Jewish Association & Cultural Society, Henriques House, 120 Oakleigh Road North, N20. 1.30—3.30 pm (368 3986).
- *Home League women's meeting, East Finchley Salvation Army, Hertford Road, East Finchley. 2.15 pm. (444 0207).

- *Barnet Tae Kwon Do Club, Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Meadway, Barnet. 7—9 pm. (77 50635).
- *Barnet Karate Centre — Ladies Keep Fit/Karate, Finchley Synagogue, Hutton Grove, North Finchley. 1.30 pm. (346 0630). Children's class, Underhill Junior School, Mays Lane, Barnet. 7 pm. Ladies Karate. 8.30 pm. (203 3991).
- *Home League women's meeting, Hendon Salvation Army, Brampton Grove, Hendon. 2.30 pm.
- *Tae Kwon Do Club, Centre Point, Grahame Park. 8—9 pm (200 7112).
- *Hendon Red Cross 'Nearly New Sale', 10 The Downage, Hendon. 10.30 am—2.30 pm (203 0567).
- *Ladies Fellowship, United Mission, Pembroke Road, Muswell Hill. 2.15 pm (444 5536).
- *8th Hendon Boys' Brigade, Dollis Hill School, Pursley Road, Mill Hill. 8—11 years. 6.30 pm (205 3182).

Wednesday May 20

- Finchley & District Philatelic Society, Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley. AGM. 7.30 pm. (883 8724).
- Woodside Park TWG, The Old Finchleians Club House, Southover, N12. 'Cooking for one'. (346 2095).
- Hendon Floral Art Club, Henry Burden Hall, Egerton Gardens, Hendon. 7.30 pm. (959 6111).

- Finchley Rotaract Club, Moss Hall Tavern, Ballards Lane, North Finchley. 8.30 pm. (349 2709).
- Small Landlords' Association, NW London Branch, Surgery and meeting, 166 Station Road, Hendon. 8 pm. (202 9269).
- National Trust, Edgware & District Centre, John Keble Church Hall, Deans Lane, Edgware. 'St. Albans'. 7.30 pm. (952 2688 or 954 2820).
- Finchley Co-op Members Sectional Meeting, Methodist Hall, The Bourne, N14. 7.30 pm. Admission by 'Share Book'. (346 3645).
- Stonegrove Never Old Club (over 40), Spur Road Community Centre, Green Lane, Edgware. 8 pm. (958 2530).
- Hadley Women's Institute handicraft exhibition, Hadley Memorial Hall, Hadley Highstone, Barnet. 3.15 pm. Admission 25p. including tea. Visitors welcome. (449 0763).
- Barnet Caving Group, The Joiners Arms, Ballards Lane, N3. 9 pm. (959 4615 or 444 4374).
- Wednesday Bridge Club, St. Andrew's Small Hall, Chase Side, Southgate. 1.30 pm (440 9682).
- Barnet Cycling Club, United Reformed Church Hall, Oakleigh Road North, Whetstone. 8 pm (888 7143).
- Old time and modern sequence dancing, BSCA, Mays Lane, Barnet. 8 pm (440 4424).

- *Friary Old Time and sequence dancing Manor Drive Methodist Church Hall, Manor Drive, Whetstone. 8 pm. 7.30 Beginners (445 7127).
- *Up-to-the-Centre Square Dance Club, Watling Community Centre, Orange Hill Road, Edgware, 8 pm (959 5204).
- *Dog training, St. Philip's Church Hall, Gravel Hill, Finchley, N3. Beginners 7—8 pm; Intermediate etc. 8 pm (458 7399).
- *West Hendon Liberal Association, 7.45 pm (202 8087, Sunday to Thursday evenings only).
- *Women's League of Health and Beauty, Christ Church Hall, High Road, North Finchley. Elementary 7 pm; technique 7.45 pm; medium 8.15 pm; sequence 9 pm (455 3904).
- *Chipping Barnet YCs, Harold Fern Room, Salisbury Road, Barnet. 8.15 pm.
- *Finchley & Friern Barnet YCs, 212 Ballards Lane, North Finchley. 8 pm (445 9426).
- *Edgware Amateur Cine Society, Orange Hill Junior School, Hamonde Close, Edgware. 7.45 pm (959 7783).
- *Whist at Fellowship House, Willifield Green, Golders Green. 8 pm (458 4023).
- *Yoga, Whitchurch Institute, Buckingham Road, Edgware. 2.30 pm (203 1935).
- *Edgware Photographic Society, Edgware Library, Hale Lane. 8 pm (952 4786).
- *Ballroom, sequence, old tyme and party dancing, St. Mary's Hall, 54 Church Hill Road, East Barnet. 8 pm (803 9028).

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- *Home League ladies meeting, Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 2.15 pm (449 8200).
- *Pymmes Judo Club for children, East Barnet School, Westbrook Crescent, New Barnet. 6.30 pm (440 6473).
- *Judo, Herbert Wilmot Youth Centre, Market Place, East Finchley. Beginners, 6 pm; Juniors, 7 pm; Seniors, 8 pm. Girls and ladies self defence; 8.30—10 pm, Yoga and football. (444 8422).
- *Over 60s Meeting, West Hendon Community Centre. 2—4 pm (202 4847).
- *North London & District Divorced and Separated Club, St. Paul's Church Hall, High Road, New Southgate. 8 pm (360 0879).
- *Incognito Theatre Group, Holly Park Road, New Southgate. 8 pm (445 1576).
- *Daniel Court Social Club, North Acre, Grahame Park. 2—5 pm (200 1759 after 6 pm).
- *Dog Training, Christ Church Hall, The Crest, Brent Street, Hendon. Beginners 6.45 pm and 7.15 pm; intermediate and competition until 10 pm (202 2888).
- *East Finchley Theatre Group, Methodist Church Hall, High Road, East Finchley N2. 7.30 pm.
- *Mothers and Toddlers Group, Christadelphian Meeting House, 51 Station Road, New Barnet. 1.30—3 pm (440 7058).

Thursday May 21

Introductory talk on Eckankar, Hendon Library, The Burroughs, Hendon, NW4. 8 pm. (431 2587).

WHAT'S ON

- *Friern Barnet Branch Labour Party, The Turrets Public House, Friern Barnet Road, N11. 8.15 pm.
- *Finchley Art Society, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. 'Approach to modern art'. 7.30 pm. (445 2989).
- *Finchley Society, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. 8 pm. AGM. (883 4154).
- *Finchley Co-op Members sectional meeting, East Finchley Library (Lecture Hall), 226 High Road. 7.30 pm. Admission by 'Share Book'. (346 3645).
- *Barnet Friends of the Earth, 72 Cranbrook Road, East Barnet. 8 pm. (440 2580).
- *Circassian Circle Folk Dance Club, Harwood Hall, Mill Hill Broadway. 7.45 pm. (950 5756).
- *North Side Bridge Club, Methodist Church, High Road, East Finchley. 7.30 pm (445 7788).
- *Contemporary dancing, Manor Arrows Youth Club, Finchley Manorhill School, Summers Lane, North Finchley. 6.30 pm (368 9876).
- *Finchley Old Time and modern sequence dance club, Martin School, East Finchley. 7.30 pm.
- *Hendon & Edgware 18 Plus Group, The Bell, Bell Lane, Hendon. 8.15 pm (954 6929).
- *National Council for the Divorced and Separated (NW London Branch), Cavalier Rooms, Prince Albert, Golders Green Road, Golders Green. 8 pm.
- *Mind Social Club, Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon. 8—10 pm (444 5847 between 6—7 pm).
- *Finchley Chess Club, Day Centre, Etchingam Park Road, Finchley, N3. 7 pm (445 4927).
- *Silver Circle, Senior Citizens' Club, Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 2 pm (449 8200).
- *Ridgeway Club, National Association of Women's Clubs, St. Mary's Hall, Church Hill Road, East Barnet. 7.30 pm (449 2852).
- *Barnet Youth Hostels Association Group, The Scout HQ, Triangle Passage, New Barnet. 8 pm (449 1983).
- *Pymmes Judo Club for adults, East Barnet School, Westbrook Crescent, New Barnet. 8 pm (440 6473).
- *Herbert Wilmot Youth Centre, Market Place, East Finchley. 7.30 pm. Football; 8 pm, Keep-fit; 7 pm, General Club (444 8422).
- *Boys' Brigade, 4th Finchley Company, 11—18 years, Finchley Methodist Church, Essex Hall, Essex Park, Finchley, N3. 8 pm (446 2690).
- *North London Karate Club, Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Meadway, Barnet. 7.30 pm and 8.30 pm (440 7733 or 440 8633).
- *Duplicate Bridge, Friends of the Jewish Day Centre, Michael Sobell House, Limes Avenue, Golders Green. 7.45 pm. £1.20 inc. refreshments

- *Dancing, Conservative Hall, High Road, New Southgate. Children's: old time, Latin, disco. Adults: sequence and modern. 6—10.30 pm (361 9847).
- *Barnet PHAB Group (physically handicapped and able-bodied), Alyth Youth Centre, Alyth Gardens, Temple Fortune. 8.15 pm (906 1505).
- *Old Time and sequence Dance Club, Cadets H.Q., Long Lane, Finchley N3. 7.30 pm (445 3610).
- *Boys Club, Salvation Army Citadel, Salisbury Road, High Barnet. 6 pm.
- *Edgware Sea Cadet Corps, girls 12-18 years, Daws Lane, Mill Hill. 7.30—9.30 pm (959 0711).
- *8th Barnet Scout Group (Cub Scouts) 8—11 years, The Scout Hut, St. Albans Road, Barnet. 6.30—8 pm (440 7457)
- Ladies Meeting, Salvation Army Citadel, Salisbury Road, Barnet. 2.30 pm, Boys' Club. 6.30—8 pm (440 8303).
- *Hendon and District Aquatic Society, Henry Burden Hall, Egerton Gardens, Hendon. 8 pm. (456 5826).
- *Barnet Tae Kwon Do Club, Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Meadway, Barnet. 7—9 pm. (77 50635).
- *Burnt Oak Salvation Army Over 60s Club, Barnfield Road, Burnt Oak. 2 pm. (906 1606).
- *Over 60s Club, Hendon Salvation Army, Brampton Grove, Hendon. 2.15 pm.
- *Tae Kwon Do Club, Centre Point, Grahame Park. 8—9 pm (200 7112)

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Local Theatre Guide

May 13—16

Finchley and Friern Barnet Operatic Society presents **Show Boat** by Jerome Kern, Hornsey Town Hall, Crouch End Broadway, N8, 7.30 pm (Sat. mat. 2.30 pm) (445 3391).

May 13—16

Incognito Theatre Club presents **Time and Time Again**, by Alan Ayckbourn, Incognito Theatre, Holly Park Road, Friern Barnet, 8 pm. Tickets sold in advance (368 0202).

May 14—16

Woodside Park Club Players presents **Saloon Bar** by Frank Harvey, Clubhouse, Woodside Park, N12. 8 pm. (445 3610).
East Finchley Theatre Group presents **Noah**, East Finchley Methodist Church Hall, Park Road, N2. 8 pm. (883 1087).

May 14—16 and 21—23

The Original Theatre Studio presents **The Merchant of Venice**, Village Theatre, Production Village, Cricklewood Lane, NW9. 8 pm. (445 7961).

*Barnet Arts Workshop Dance/Keep Fit Class, Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley. £1 (creche). 10.30—11.30 am. (346 7120).

*Hendon Unit Sea Cadet Corps — Girl Sea Cadets 12 years-plus.

May 14—16

Christ Church (Hendon) drama group presents **Post Horn Gallop**, Christ Church Hall, The Crest, Hendon, 8 pm. Admission by programme only to members and friends. £1. (202 6660).

May 22, 23

St. Barnabas Dramatic Society present **Killing of Sister George** by Frank Marcus, St. Alban's Parish Centre, Gainsborough Road, North Finchley, 8 pm (445 7539).

May 29, 30

Barnet South Community Association Players present **'On Monday Next'**, BSCA Hall, Mays Lane, Barnet. 8 pm. Tickets £1.25 (440 6858).

June 4—6

The Harlequin Players present **'Tomb with a View'** by Norman Robbins, Hartley Hall, Flower Lane, NW7. 8 pm. Tickets £1.50. (907 4680).

The Good Companions present **'A View from the Bridge'** by Arthur Miller, John Keble Hall, Deans Lane, Edgware, 8 pm. (959 4003).

Cool Oak Lane, NW9. 7.30 pm. (200 6286).

*Bible Fellowship, Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 7.45 pm (449 8200)

*5th Hendon Boys' Brigade, Orange Hill Junior School,

Hamonde Close, Edgware. 8—11 years, 6.30 pm; 11—18 years, 8 pm (952 3385).

Saturday May 23

Book sale for Christian Aid, St. Albans Hall, West Heath Drive, Golders Green. 9 am—5 pm.

Local Association of Hendon Guides and Brownies May Market, Cheshir Hall, Foster Street, off Brent Street, Hendon. Entrance 10p. 2 pm (202 5204).

Start of Barnet Christadelphians Open Week. Coffee mornings, Mothers and Toddlers groups, youth activities, barbeque, film, Bible reading, talks and forums; It's a Knockout, exhibition. Main venues, 51 Station Road, Reynolds Hall, Barnet College Hall (441 5097).

Sunday May 24

Octopus Swimming Club for the Handicapped, Squires Lane Baths, N2. 12.30—1.30 pm (346 5944).

Monday May 25

Book sale for Christian Aid, St. Albans Hall, West Heath Drive, Golders Green. 9 am—5 pm.

Friern Barnet Council for Voluntary Service Spring Fete, Friary Park, Friern Barnet Lane, N20. Opening by Mayor of Barnet. 2 pm (368 4278).

Barnet Rugby Football Club — fair and fete with aerobatic display, Byng Road Playing Fields, Barnet.

Barnet Christadelphians, Film 'The Bible ... in the Beginning', Richard Harris, Peter O'Toole, Barnet College Hall. 7.30 pm.

*9th Hendon Boys Centre, Edgware Methodist Church, Garrat Road, Edgware, 8—11 years. 6.45 pm (958 8285).

Homefield, Dollis Valley Way, Barnet. Sale of work of basketry and handicraft. 12 noon—4 pm. (440 8028).

Friday May 22

*International folk dancing, Hadley Memorial Hall, Hadley Highstone, 8 pm (368 5345).

*Hendon Camera Club, Fellowship House, Willifield Way, Golders Green. 7.45 pm (455 0837).

*Barnet & Finchley Photographic Society, rear of 37 Salisbury Road, Barnet. 8 pm (368 3917).

*Mill Hill Over 60s Handicraft Club, Moreton Close Lounge (behind shops at Salcombe Gardens, Mill Hill. 2—4 pm (959 3858).

*Judo and General Club (ages 7—10), Herbert Wilmot Youth Centre, Market Place, East Finchley. 5.45 pm, Judo; 6—8 pm, General Club (444 8422).

*Finchley Cine Society, Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley, N3. 8 pm (346 4265).

*Edgware Sea Cadet Corps, boys 12-18 years, Daws Lane, Mill Hill. 7.30—9.30 pm (959 0711).

*8th Barnet Scout Group, 11—16 years, The Scout Hut, St. Albans Road, Barnet. 7.30—9.30 pm (440 7457).

*Over 60s Fellowship, East Finchley Salvation Army, Hertford Road, East Finchley. 2.30 pm. (444 0207).

*Sally Ann Club. Children 7-11 years. East Finchley Salvation Army, Hertford Road. 5—6 pm. (444 0207).

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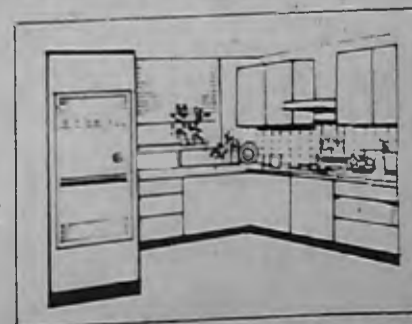
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Tuesday May 26

Barnet Anglo/French Club, council Offices, 29 Wood Street, Barnet. Debate, 8 pm (779 5200).

Finchley Redbourne Evening TWG, Etchingham Park Centre, Etchingham Park Road, N3. 7.45 pm (346 8596).

'Acorns', non-sectarian women's club, East Finchley Methodist Church Hall, High Road, 9.45—11.30 am. 'Some Medical Murderers', Creche available (346 1507 or 346 0232).

Cockfosters TWG, Church House, Cockfosters, 2 pm. 'Arena Theatre' (449 5129).

Wednesday May 27

Amnesty International (Golders Green Branch), Unitarian Church, Hoop Lane, NW11. 7.30 pm (883 4893 or 959 3249).

Finchley Church End Afternoon TWG, St. Mary's Church Hall, Hendon Lane, N3. 2.15 pm (349 1686).

Friary Ladies Club, Assembly Rooms, Friern Barnet (entrance at rear in Lyndhurst Avenue), 8 pm (368 0638).

Mind in Barnet (voluntary association for mental health), AGM, followed by panel of speakers, The Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon, 7.30 pm.

Barnet Christadelphians, Talk and Forum, Why the Bible really is worth reading, Reynolds Hall, East Barnet Road, 7.30 pm.

Thursday May 28

Contemplative Prayer meeting, The Cenacle, 11 Cyprus Road, N3. 8 pm (346 2783).

WHAT'S ON

Pensioners' Voice (Whetstone & Finchley), St. Albans Parish Centre, Gainsborough Road, N12. 1.30 pm (445 7413).

Osidge Branch (Women's Section) Chipping Barnet Conservative Association, St. Andrews Hall, Chase Side, Southgate, 2 pm (368 5414).

Barnet Christadelphians, Talk and Forum, Why the Bible is relevant for problems today, Barnet College Hall, 7.30 pm.

Friday May 29

Introduction to the spiritual teachings of Eckankar, Avenue House, East End Road, N3. 8 pm (346 4356).

Saturday May 30

Playing Fields Estate Community Association plant sale and nearly new, Scout Hut, Westcombe Drive, Barnet, 2.30 pm. Admission 5p (440 1780).

Sequence dancing with old time, Friary Sequence Dance Club, All Saints Church Hall, Oakleigh Road North, Whetstone, 7.30 pm. Admission 75p (446 4816).

Spring sale of bedding plants, cakes and second-hand books, St. Margaret's United Reformed Church, Victoria Avenue (off Hendon Lane, N3), 10 am.

Sunday May 31

Kokani Muslim Cultural and Youth Organisation exhibition of paintings and needlework, Hendon

Senior School, The Crest, Hendon, 11 am—4 pm (200 6676).
Antique Collectors Fair, Hendon Hall Hotel, Ashley Lane, Hendon, 11 am—5 pm (959 8693).

Monday June 1

National Federation of Pensioners (Mill Hill London), John Keble Church Hall, Deans Lane, Edgware, AGM, 1.30 pm. Members are specially requested to attend (959 4935).

Tuesday June 2

Solo Club for widowed, divorced and single people 26-60, Finchley area, 8 pm (346 7466 or 445 9810).

Friern Barnet Friary TWG, Christ Church United Reformed Church Hall, Bellevue Road, Friern Barnet, 2 pm (445 8011).

Magnificent Mountain Scenery — slides by Walter Kirstein, Church Rooms, St. Jude's, Central Square, Golders Green, 8 pm. Admission £1 (455 3152).

Wednesday June 3

Finchley & District Philatelic Society, Avenue House, East End Road, N3, Exchange and auction, 7.30 pm (883 8724).

Barnet REMAP, Occupational Therapy Department, Barnet General Hospital, Wellhouse Lane, 7.30 pm.

Ecology Party (Barnet & Finchley). For details tel. 449 8297.

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Finchley Rotaract Club, Moss Hall Tavern, Ballards Lane, North Finchley, 8.30 pm (349 2709).

Thursday June 4

Probus Club of Finchley, Finchley Bowling Club, Etchingham Park Road, N3, 11 am. Mr. M. Burney from Dr. Barnardo's (445 4727).
Barnet Friends of the Earth, 72 Cranbrook Road, East Barnet, 8 pm (440 2580).

Circassian Circle Folk Dance Club, Harwood Hall, Mill Hill Broadway, 7.45 pm (950 5756).

Women's Aid monthly meeting, Contact Jean Feldman on 449 4847.

Saturday June 6

The Leys 'Country Fayre', Barnet Lane, Elstree. In aid of the International Year of Disabled People. Mayor to open Fayre, 2 pm.

20th Century Sequence Dancing Club — Dance, Enfield Chase Lower School, Rosemary Avenue, Enfield, 7.30 pm (360 2586).

Garden Fete, St. John's Church, Algernon Road, Hendon, 2 pm.

Sunday June 7

Octopus Swimming Club for the Disabled, Squires Lane Baths, N3, 12.30—1.30 pm (346 5944).

Monday June 8

National Council of Women, Barnet & District Branch, Discussion morning, 'Little Croft', Leecroft Road, Barnet, 10.30 am (449 5308).

Tuesday June 9

Barnet Anglo/French Club, Barbecue. Details ring 346 0782.

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Acorns, non-sectarian women's club, East Finchley Methodist Church Hall, High Road. 9.45—11.30 am. AGM. Creche available (346 1507 or 346 0232).
 Mill Hill Flower Club, Harwood Hall, Mill Hill Broadway. 8 pm (954 4944).
 National Schizophrenia Fellowship (NW London), Temple Fortune Health Centre, Temple Fortune Lane. 8 pm (455 5113).

Wednesday June 10

Hendon Horticultural Society, Henry Burden Hall, Egerton Gardens, Hendon. 8 pm. 'Pot-pourri of happy memories', Mr. Gerry Fedrick (203 3467).
 Introductory talk on the spiritual teachings of Eckankar, East Finchley Library, High Road, East Finchley. 8 pm (346 4356).
 Pensioners' Voice, Barnet Branch, Council Chambers, Wood Street, Barnet. 1.30-3.30 pm (449 6023).
 Friary Ladies Club, Assembly Rooms, Friern Barnet, rear of Lyndhurst Avenue. 8 pm (368 0638).

Thursday June 11

New Barnet Floral Art Society, The Reynolds Hall, East Barnet Road. 'My Fair Lady'. 8 pm (77 52924).
 Christian Contemplative Prayer, The Cenacle, 11 Cyprus Road, N3. 8 pm (346 2783).
 Welsh Harp Otters Angling Society, White Bear Public House, The Burroughs, Hendon (205 5670).
 Hendon School Parents' Association. International evening at the School, Golders Rise, Hendon. 8 pm (205 9276).

Friday June 12

Hendon & District Cage Birds Association, Carey Hall, Wilberforce Road, West Hendon. 7.30 pm (205 2647).

Saturday June 13

Stamp Show, City Square, Wood Green Shopping City, N22. Free valuation stand. 9.30 am—5 pm (361 2373 or day 247 0712).

LATE ENTRIES

Saturday May 16

Book Fair. Sale of second-hand books, Christ's College, Hendon Lane, N3. 10.30 am (346 4093).

Monday May 18

*Slenderquest, Silk House Centre, Annesley Avenue, Collindale. 8—9 pm (202 5005).

Tuesday May 19

Barnet Branch North Middlesex Family History Society, Church House, Barnet. Inaugural meeting. 8 pm (449 6153 or 449 5080).

Wednesday May 20

Hendon Citizens' Advice Bureau AGM, Town Hall, The Burroughs, Hendon. Guest speaker: Mr. H. S. Wolff. 8 pm.

Thursday May 21

Sangam (association of Asian Women) Open Day, The Com-

munity Centre, Marsh Drive, West Hendon. 11.30 am—2.30 pm.

Monday May 25

New Barnet Literary and Debating Society Poetry Circle, 2 Mowbray Road, New Barnet. 7.45 pm (440 7156).

Monday June 1

Finchley Chrysanthemum Society, Tudor School, Queens Avenue, N3. Question Time. 8 pm (346 2974).

Finchley League of Jewish Women, Finchley Synagogue, Kinloss Gardens, N3. 1.30 pm. Mrs. Hannah Alexander, Chairman of the Jewish Women's Handicapped Society (822 3064).

National Council of Women (Barnet Branch), Wesley Hall, High Road, Barnet. Speaker: Mr. Gordon Evans of Westminster Branch of the United Nations. 2 pm (455 5682).

Wednesday June 3

Barnet Evening TWG, Church House, Wood Street, Royal Parks. 7.45 pm (449 6809).

Thursday June 4

Save the Children Fund Barnet & Finchley Branch 12th Anniversary Meeting, North Fin-

chley Library, Ravensdale Avenue, N12. Talk by Dr. Ian Cross on work for S.C.F. in Upper Volta and Sudan. 8 pm (449 6756).

Saturday June 6

Annual Fete of the Friends of Barnet Hospitals, Barnet General Hospital grounds, Wellhouse Lane. 2 pm (445 4175).

Monday June 8

New Barnet Literary and Debating Society Poetry Circle, 2 Mowbray Road, New Barnet. 7.45 pm (440 7156).

Tuesday June 9

Edgware/Hendon Community Health Council, The Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon. Talk by Mrs. Hoban, Senior Nursing Officer (Geriatric) Edgware General Hospital followed by meeting of CHC. 7.30 pm.

Thursday June 11

Introductory talk on the spiritual teachings of Eckankar, North Finchley Library, Ravensdale Avenue. 8 pm (346 4356).

EXHIBITIONS

June 3—13

Oxfam Art Exhibition in aid of Somalia, St. Margaret's United Reformed Church, Victoria Avenue, N3. All works for sale. Mon—Sat 11 am—8 pm. Sun. June 7. 2—8 pm.

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Saturday May 16

Barnet & Finchley Choral Societies: works by Gerard Schurmann, Parry and Delius, St. Barnabas Church, Holden Road, North Finchley. 7.30 pm. (449 7760 or 440 8624).

Recital by Keith Ramsell (violin) and Gordon Kirkwood (piano), Barnet College Hall, Fitzjohn Avenue, Barnet. Works by Partini, Beethoven, Brahms and new work by Patrick Globle. 7.30 pm. (368 8667).

Sunday May 17

Mill Hill Toc H Music Club, Civic Hall, Borehamwood. St. John's Smith Square Orchestra with Maurice Robles. 7.45 pm. (959 1173).

*Jazz Club (Bernie Tyrrell), The Salisbury Hotel, High Street, Barnet. 12 noon—2 pm. (449 0081).

*Bob Guthrie Jazzmen, The Queen's Head, 248 Regents Park Road, N3. 8.30—10.30 pm. (346 1012).

*Orange Tree Folk Club, Orange Tree, Friern Barnet Lane, Friern Barnet. 8 pm. (863 3608).

*Rock and Blues, Torrington Arms, Lodge Lane, High Road, North Finchley. 8.30 pm. (445 4710).

Monday May 18

Hendon (St. Mary's) Music Society, Central Library, The Burroughs,

Hendon. 'The Uniqueness of Wagner'. 8 pm. (202 6908).

*Barnet Orchestra at Hendon, Whitefield School, Claremont Road, Cricklewood. 8 pm. (205 2418).

*Finchley Choral Society, Moss Hall Junior School, Nether Street, N3. 7.45 pm. (445 8401).

Tuesday May 19

East Barnet Gramophone Society, East Barnet Library, 85 Brookhill Road, East Barnet. Library Record Review. 8 pm. (440 4376).

*Hendon String Orchestra, Whitefield School, Claremont Road, Cricklewood. 7.45 pm. (455 5005).

Thursday May 21

Friern Barnet Library Gramophone Society, Friern Barnet Road, Friern Barnet. Operetta. 8.10 pm. (368 2680).

*Black Bull Folk Club, Black Bull Public House, High Road, Whetstone. 8 pm. (77 58831).

*Rock & Blues, Torrington Arms, Lodge Lane, High Road, North Finchley. 8.30 pm. (445 4710).

Saturday May 23

Mill Hill Toc H Music Club, Civic Centre, Borehamwood. I Musici. 7.30 pm. (959 1173).

Tuesday May 26

Hendon Gramophone Society, Hendon Library, The Burroughs. A light-hearted programme for a summer evening. 7.30 pm. (202 5625).

Hampstead Garden Suburb Free Church, Central Square, NW11. Recital by Martin Offord of Messiaens 'Meditations sur le Mystere de la Sainte Trinite' in aid of Church Funds. 8 pm. Admission £1.25. (455 8021).

Saturday May 30

Recital by Mark Wildman (bass) and Enid Hugh-Jones (organ), St. Margaret's United Reformed Church, Victoria Avenue, Finchley, N3. 2.30 pm & 7.30 pm.

Tuesday June 2

East Barnet Gramophone Society, East Barnet Library, 85 Brookhill Road, East Barnet. Beethoven. 8 pm. (440 4376).

Thursday June 4

Friern Barnet Library Gramophone Society, Friern Barnet Road, Friern Barnet. Transatlantic music. 8.10 pm. (368 2680).

Tudor Orchestra: Works by Boyce, Arnold, Vivaldi, Albinoni and Mozart. Soloists Barbara Lifford, oboe, Ron Findon, bassoon. East Finchley Methodist Church, High

Road, East Finchley. 8 pm. (883 6305).

Tuesday June 9

Hendon Gramophone Society, Hendon Library, The Burroughs. More aspects of nature. 7.30 pm. (202 5625).

Thursday June 11

Finchley Council of Christian and Jews, Brotherhood Week Concert, Finchley Reform Synagogue, Fallowcourt Avenue, North Finchley. London Jewish Male Choir and John Keble Church Choir. 8 pm. Admission £1.50. (959 2172).

Saturday June 13

Edgware Symphony Orchestra, Edgware Secondary School, Green Lane, Edgware. Soloist Roy Gillard, violin. 8 pm. Admission £1.50 (OAPs/children 70p). (449 7015).

Barnet College Concerts, Tudor Hall, Fitzjohn Avenue, Barnet. Fiona Vanderspar, violin. 7.30 pm. Admission £1. (440 6321).

Hampstead Garden Suburb Free Church, Central Square, NW11. Piano recital by Martin Offord of Messiaen's 'Meditations sur le Mystere de la Sainte Trinite' in aid of Church Funds. 8 pm. Admission £1.25. (455 8021).

A NEW LOOK FOR MAYTIME

THE SUN AT EASTER swept away winter's cosiness and filled the house with summer light which unerringly fell on walls discoloured by heat from radiators and fires.

It sparkled on the bowl of daffodils and revealed the curling edge of wallpaper and the clawmarks of the cat on the faded upholstery of the armchairs. The fever of spring cleaning only led to the realisation that the surface of the bath and basin were no longer sparkling and took a lot of elbow work to bring back a hint of sunshine.

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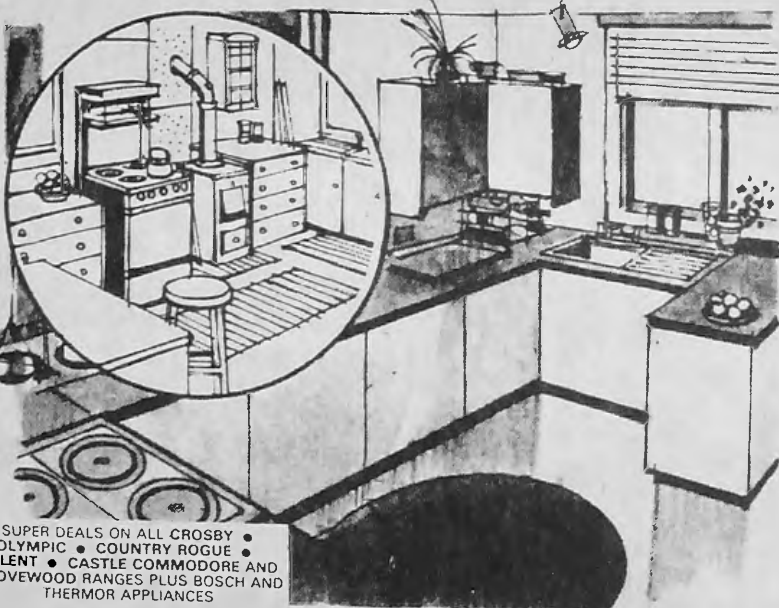
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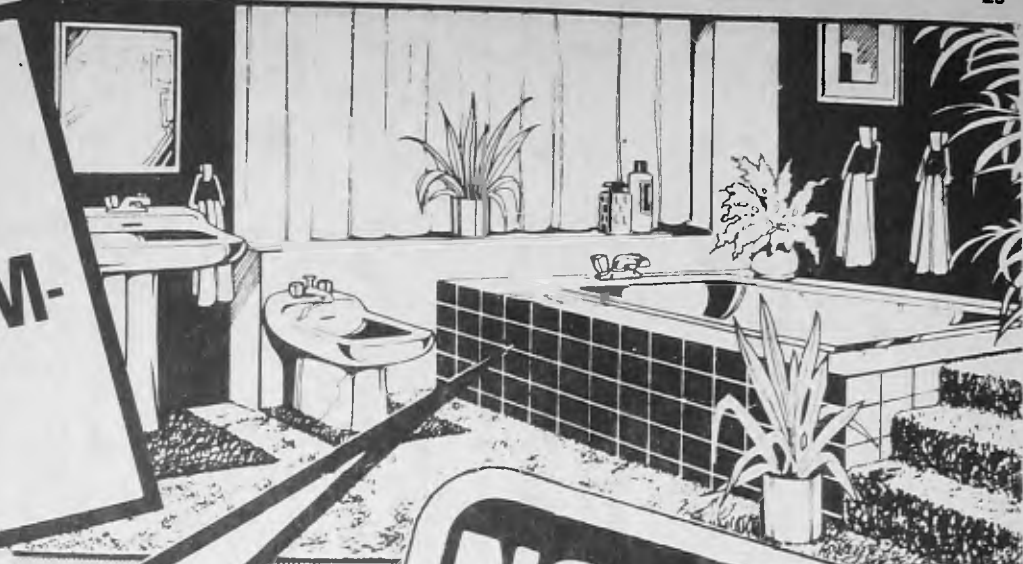


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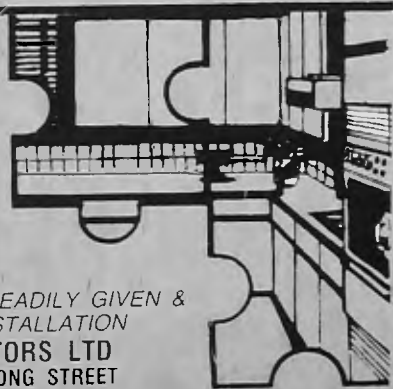
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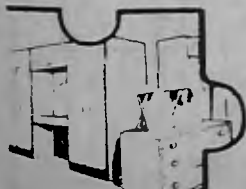


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Zebra Interiors, of Ballards Lane, Finchley, offer an exclusive line as the sole importers of the Louis style range of Como, Italy. With its carved surround and deep-buttoned upholstery, this furniture would look in place in a stately home but also is light of line to suit the smaller London home.

The showrooms of **Zebra Interiors** are really well-worth a visit and you can purchase at manufacturers' prices.

K. Lyon Furnishings, of High Road, Whetstone, offer that personal service with Mr. Lyon himself available to give advice. Knowledge of carpets is their speciality and they offer a wonderful choice from their extensive range of Axminsters, Wiltons and tufted carpets.

The special offer at the moment is a saving of up to 45 per cent on special order carpet prices and up to 25 per cent off Parker Knoll chairs from stock.

If you think that most wall units look like rabbit hutches think again with a visit to **Lundia Pinewood Home Fitments**, which can be seen in the showroom at Remploy House on the Edgware Road.

These units are in pine and can house hi-fi, books, ornaments, or form storage units, desks, cocktail cabinets or cutlery draws.

Omega is the last word in furniture at factory prices. They are based at Delamere Road, Cheshunt, and proudly proclaim 'We make what we sell'.

From the factory **Omega** sell direct to you — specialising in suites and units which can be individually styled. They have now added a range of reproduction furniture made by an associated company. Their showrooms are open normal shopping hours and from 10 am to 2 pm on Sundays.

There are few things in any home more important than the bed. It is wise when buying to consult people who have expert knowledge, so where better than **Read's Bedding Centre** in Long Lane, Finchley.

Read's specialise in top-quality beds at

affordable prices. If you need extra storage space in the bedroom look at the Sandringham bed with four drawers in the base. The problem will be choosing from the extensive range.

Supreme Carpets and Beds is the name of another specialist centre at Station Parade, Southgate or Fore Street, Edmonton.

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If the three-piece suite or occasional armchairs look wan after winter why not consider **Cosyfit** stretch covers who can be found at 62 Mottingham Road, Edmonton.

These give a new lease of life to armchairs and settees. All styles of furniture are individually drawn and measured to exact specifications and fitted by experts. The materials include a full range from Dralon to nylon, suiting every pocket.

Now that winter is over it's the ideal time to take a look at the fireplace.

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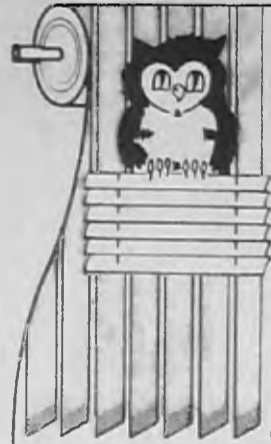
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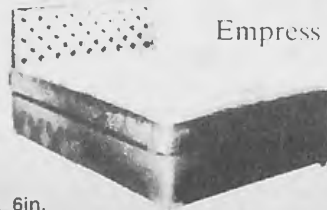
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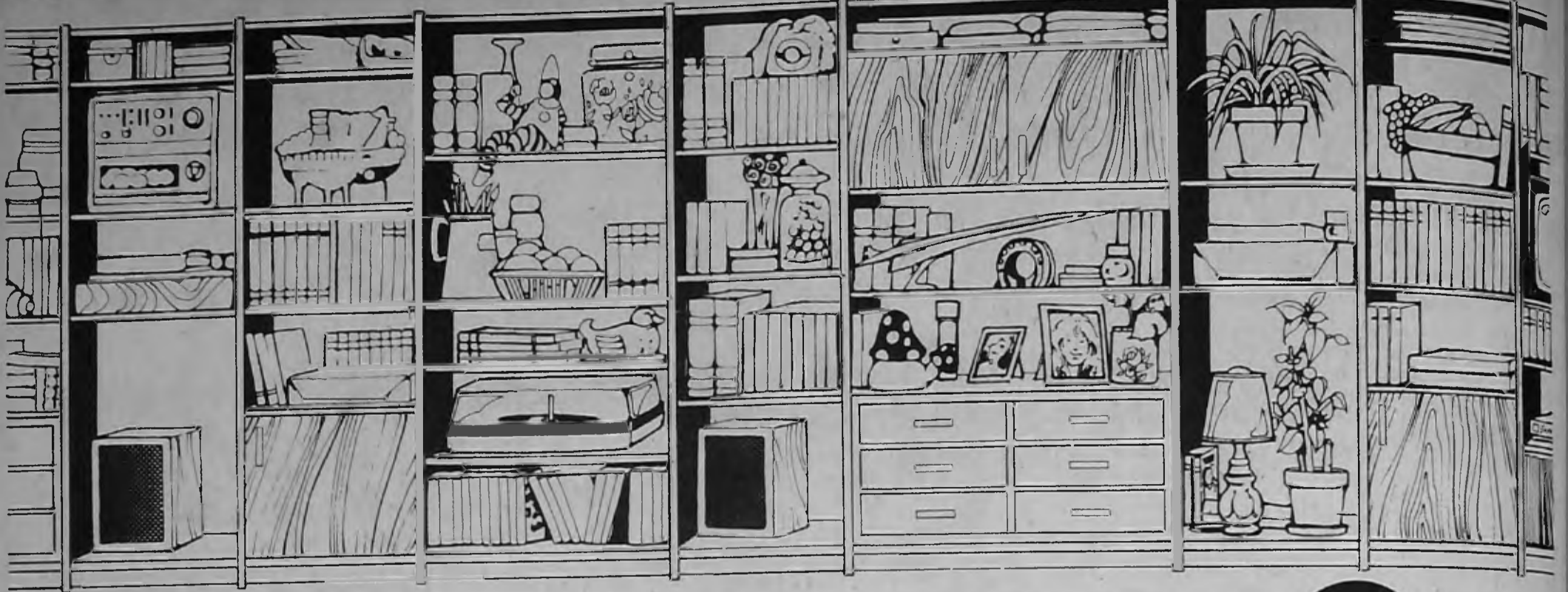
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Thur. Garnett Pickles, 73 Ballards Lane.
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Spring Bank Holiday: Auklands, 27 Ballards Lane.

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YOUR COUNCILLORS

MILL HILL

Mill Hill Ward lies at the heart of the borough and includes the picturesque Mill Hill Village, the open farm lands and countryside north of The Ridgeway, well laid out private and council housing estates and the fine facilities of Barnet Copthall Sports Centre.



COUNCILLOR DENIS DIPPEL is a crusader in environmental matters. When he joined the Council in 1974 he was campaigning for a crossing for St. Vincent's School, and was founder chairman of the committee which raised money for a new classroom at St. Paul's School.

'I joined the Council to make sure I was able to do everything I could to preserve the amenities of Mill Hill. As a Councillor I now feel that sense of responsibility for the whole borough', he said. 'I am keen on consultation and letting people know what is happening.'

When there was a plan for road widening which would have endangered Simmonds Mead he organised a petition with 5,000 signatures. He is an outspoken critic of the plan to build a lorry park on land next to the K Garage near the M1; he has protested to London Transport over the change from single to double-decker buses on the 240 route, and he has chaired a meeting with local horse riders and stable managers to try and improve safety standards for riders.

'It has been a non-stop fight since I moved to Mill Hill from Hampstead in 1970. The irony is I thought we were moving to the quiet of the countryside,' he said.

An electrical engineer, he runs his own business, travelling extensively and relaxing with his family or sea fishing in Cornwall. His wife, Lorna, is a supporter of his council work and his daughter, Anne, attends Moat Mount School.

He serves on Public Works, Carnival and Shows, Development and Estates and Town Planning Committees, and is vice-chairman of Western Road Safety Committee and chairman of Western Planning Committee. He is a Governor of St. James' Catholic High, and St. Paul's C. E. Schools, serves on the management committee of Mill Hill Churches Youth Club and represents the borough on the Area Health Authority.



COUNCILLOR GRAHAM FEAR, chairman of the Housing Committee and a former deputy leader of the Council, was born in Mill Hill, educated at Mill Hill School and has lived in the area all his life.

He came into local government in 1974 with a wish to learn how things happened and a desire to bring in changes. 'Having been elected I found that you don't change things overnight. You begin to understand the problems facing local government and to realise that you may be able to influence the direction of development but you can't turn everything upside down.'

He sees housing as a 'microcosm of the national economy'. As a solicitor he sees the need for efficient management to get the best use of the council's 20,000-plus dwellings for the sake of the tenants and people on the waiting list. He is concerned by the number of under-occupied houses where old people live alone in what could be a family home. But he also understands the reluctance of old people to leave the house they know or of single sons and daughters to give up the family home.

Graham Fear also sits on three other influential committees, Finance, Policy Advisory and Establishment, and represents Barnet on the London Boroughs Association Housing and Public Works Committee. He is chairman of the Governors of Copthall School and on the management committee of Canada Villa Youth Club.

However, he has announced that he will not be standing for Council in next year's elections. 'I feel I must now give more time to my family. I have two sons and a daughter at school and I shall be expanding my practice in the near future. But even so I shall continue to take a great interest in the local community,' he said.



COUNCILLOR MRS. RITA LEVY holds a special place in the history of the borough. In 1979/80 she was its first woman Mayor.

During her Mayoralty she pioneered closer contacts between local employers and the council, particularly with jobs for the disabled in mind. She encouraged the work of foster parents and inaugurated a joint committee of local housing associations to encourage closer co-operation on sheltered housing.

This article is too brief to encompass all her achievements which have so often laid stress on the need for the Council to support the voluntary organisations to improve the quality of life in Barnet.

She has lived in Hendon since 1927. As Rita Lipton her community service began at the age of 16. She later won a scholarship to visit Palestine and has continued to promote a better understanding between the people of Britain and Israel. She also started the Mill Hill Friends of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund. Her great Council interests are Social Services, Education and Housing and she is an outspoken champion of improved but cost effective services.

She is closely associated with the Disablement Association (DABB). Soon after she joined the Council in 1974 she helped to set up the Barnet Volunteer Bureau and later the Voluntary Service Council. In the 1960s she was a volunteer with Hampstead Citizens' Advice Bureau and successfully campaigned for the first CAB to be set up in the Hendon area.

In all this she has been encouraged by her husband Bobby who was himself a member of Willesden Council for 16 years. They have a daughter and son who have taken up academic careers, and two grandchildren.

She is the first woman chairman of the Ada Lewis Trust which provides self-catering hostels for women working in London, and she will continue in her efforts for local voluntary movements.

Mrs. Levy is now 66 and has decided to retire from Council next April. But not, she stresses, from community service.



BARNET'S NEW BRIDLEWAY

THE MAYOR OF BARNET, Councillor Mrs. Edna James, with Councillor David Burton, Chairman of the Development and Estates Committee of Barnet Council and the Mayoress, Miss Helen James, officially opening the new horse ride which runs from Barnet to Totteridge.

There was a gathering of 30 horse riders for the occasion.

The ride follows a route about one kilometre long, starting in Mays Lane near Connaught Road, skirting Mission Hall Playing Fields and East Barnet Old Grammarians Rugby Club and leading through Grange Avenue Open Space to a surfaced turning area with a gate into Grange Avenue, Totteridge. At one point it fords Dollis

Brook at Riverside Walk.

Rustic timber pole fencing borders the route and later shrubs will be planted against the fences. A culvert has been built beneath a pedestrian gateway and here the stone facing which forms a miniature arched bridge, has been built by a forester from the Council's Parks Section, Mr. John Deakin.

Land drainage, hard core and cinder surfacing, fencing and profiling have been carried out at a cost of £6,000 of which half will be paid by Barnet Council and half by the Countryside Commission.

They have worked closely with the British Horse Society who have given advice on the project.

Bank Holiday fun

MORE THAN 8,000 visitors are expected to attend Barnet Rugby Club's 22nd annual Spring Bank Holiday (May 25) Carnival at Byng Road Playing Fields, Barnet.

This popular annual event is planned entirely by the committee and players of the club and is a personal tribute to their president, John MacFarlane, whose original idea it was and who is still chairman of the organising committee.

All funds go to charities and this year a special effort is being made on behalf of the Ludwig Guttman Sports Centre for the Disabled at Stoke Mandeville where the now famous games for the paralysed have become an international event.

There will be displays by the Royal Artillery Motor-Cycle

Team, the RAF Sport Parachute team and Potters Bar Gymnastic Club. There is also Brian Lecomber's Aerobic Display.

For children

This is very much a day for children and the Barnet Band, Dennis Patten's Punch and Judy, Michael Penn (magician and entertainer) and Barnet's Bonny Baby Show all give an added attraction. A large number of charity stalls, pony rides, a barbeque and beer tent also add to the fun and games.

The programme is completed with all the fun of the fair with Tom Smith's Fairground and amusements.

The first event is at 1.30 pm and the extensive car parking is free.

REFUSE COLLECTIONS

There will be no refuse collection in the borough on Spring Bank Holiday Monday, May 25. It is hoped that the round will be made up by the end of the week and householders are asked to have their dustbins ready for collection throughout the week, as schedules will be changed.

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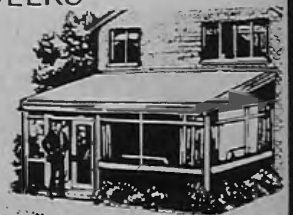
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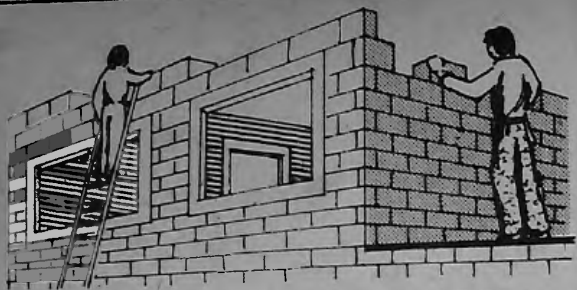
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