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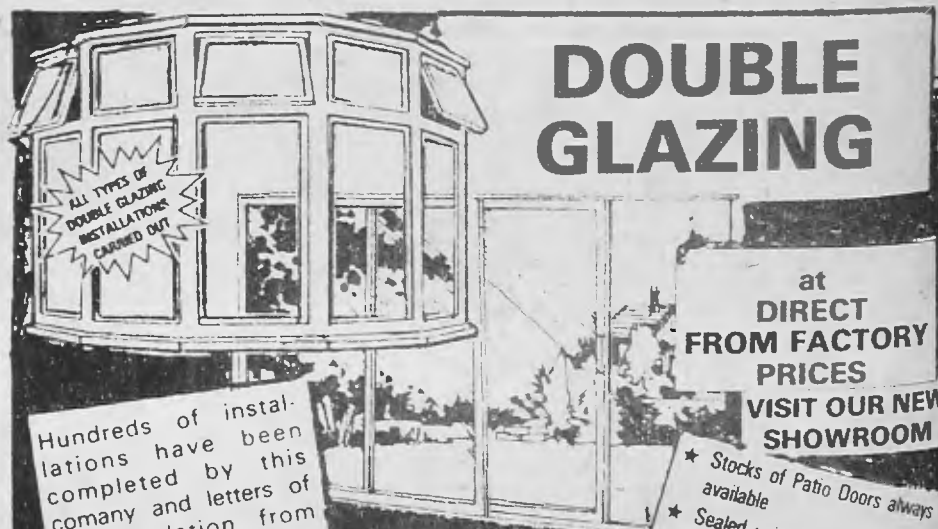
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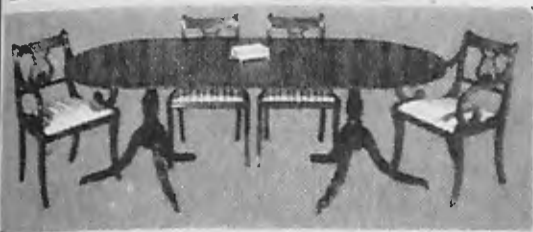
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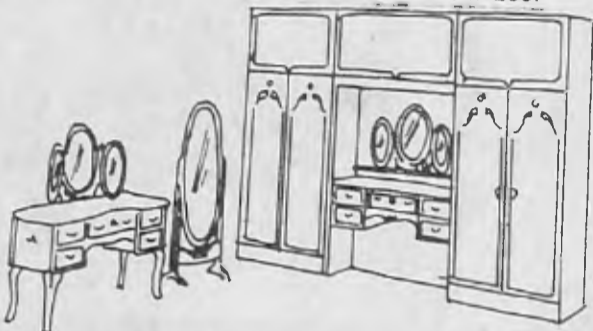
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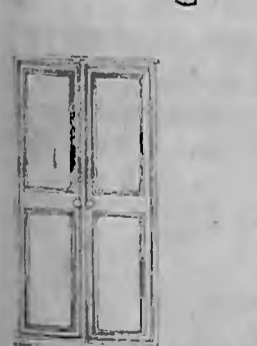
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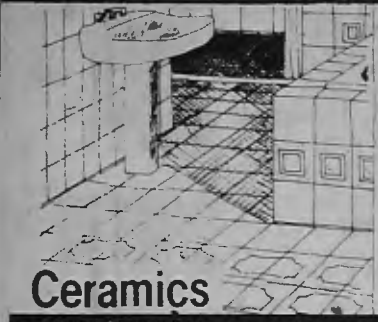
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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SPECIAL dates for your diary: Barnet's three big summer events!

### Barnet Sports Gala

June 11, 12 & 13

Copthall Stadium and Sports Complex, Great North Way, Hendon/Page Street, Mill Hill. Sports galore, including Middlesex Schools Athletics Championships and a new style relay team event.

### Finchley Carnival

July 8, 9 & 10

Victoria Park, Ballards Lane, Finchley. All the fun of the fair including a carnival procession.

### Friern Barnet Summer Show

August 13 & 14

Friary Park, Friern Barnet Lane. Arts, crafts, horticulture and fun fair.

# COUNCIL RENTS RISE

## but check out the rent rebate scheme

THE RENTS of Barnet Council tenants will be going up by 23 per cent, with a maximum rise of £5 a week, from April 5. For a tenant paying the average rent this means an increase of £3.64 a week based on a 52-week year or £3.94 on a 48-week year which is the basis of the Council's rent collection system.

This increase has been brought about by a reduction in Government housing subsidy and an allowance for rising management and maintenance costs. The change in subsidy alone has meant an increase of £2.50 a week on an average rent to compensate.

In the borough the average weekly rent for a council dwelling is £16.98 on a 48-week basis. Thus the increase brings the average weekly rent on a 48-week year to £20.92 or £19.31 on a 52-week year. In addition to rent tenants pay rates and water rates.

The Council has some 20,500 tenants and it is estimated that about half of these are eligible for assistance with their rent, either through the rent rebate scheme or from supplementary benefits.

The rent rebate scheme is wide-ranging and in April 1981 the Government increased the maximum rebate from £30 to £35 a week — that is £37.92 on a 48-week year.

A family can, in fact, earn an above average income and still qualify for rent rebate.

For example, a couple or a single parent with three school-aged children, living in a modern, three-bedroomed Council house will be paying £38.34 a week rent after April 5. But they can have an income of £272.25 a week before losing entitlement to rent rebate.

A couple or single parent with two children paying rent of £29.50 per week could earn up to £220 a week before failing to qualify for rent rebate. And a couple or single parent with one child, paying rent of £25.25 a week would have to earn over £189 a week before losing rebate entitlement.

When Council tenants apply for rent rebates they are automatically assessed for rate rebates as well. The maximum weekly rate rebate was increased to £9 (£9.75 on a 48-week year) in November 1981.

The Council is keen to ensure that all tenants know of their rebate entitlement and before the new increases come in on April 5 a leaflet giving full details of the scheme will be distributed to every tenant.

Those tenants already receiving a rebate will automatically have that rebate adjusted to take into account the rent increase.

## Help for private 'sharers' too

**Do you share private rented accommodation and pay a portion of the rent?**

If you do, you could be entitled to help towards your share of the rent. The 1980 Housing Act made it possible for the first time for many people sharing rented accommodation, be it house, flat or just a single room, to claim for financial help towards their rent.

A rent allowance will apply only to the money you pay for the actual accommodation; in other words it doesn't cover payment you make for such things as rates, heating, furniture or services.

The amount of rent allowance you might get will depend on three things — how much you earn, the size of your family and your income before tax and national insurance. Parts of your income won't count towards an allowance; for example, the first £15.25 of your weekly pay.

To find out more about what does and does not count, speak to the rent rebate or

allowance officer at your local council who will explain the scheme in detail. And while you're talking about rent allowances ask about money off rates too. You could also qualify for a rate rebate.

A leaflet called 'There's Money Off the Rent' has details of the scale of rent allowances available. Ask for a copy of the leaflet from your local council, the Housing Advice Centre or at local Citizens' Advice Bureaux.

If you share private rented accommodation and you think you could be eligible for a rent allowance, then go along to your local council and ask for an application form. If you do qualify for a rent allowance it will take effect from the date of your application. Your application will be treated in the strictest confidence.

In Barnet rent allowances for private property are dealt with at King Edward Hall, 331 Regents Park Road, Finchley, N3. Tel: 349 9121.

## SUMMER DATES AT THE 'POLY'

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Information is available from the organiser, Arnold Cannon, 449 9691.

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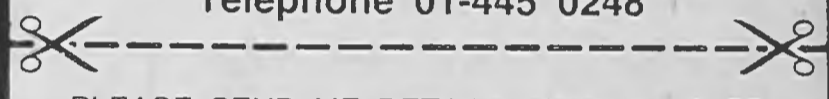
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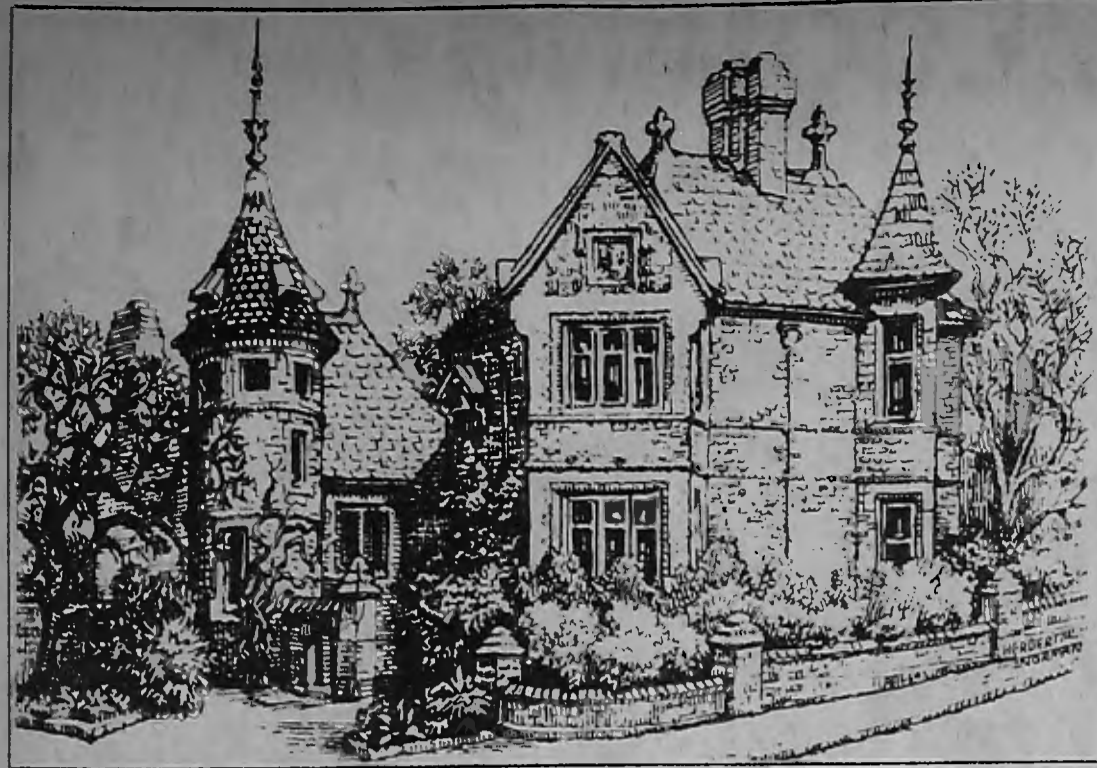
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# Conservationists meet the Planners

THE MEN and women who often act as the borough's eyes and ears in conservation areas met at the Town Hall, Hendon, on Thursday, February 4, to exchange ideas and to learn about some of the successes and the problems faced by councillors and planning staff in maintaining the quality of buildings and environment in these areas.

The Borough has nine conservation areas: Monken Hadley; Wood Street, High Barnet; Moss hall Crescent; North Finchley; Church End, Finchley; Finchley Garden Village; Hampstead Garden Suburb; Totteridge Village; Mill Hill Village and Elstree Village. In many of these a Conservation Area Advisory Committee has been formed by interested and experienced local residents, who are invited by the Council to comment on any development or building plans in their area and are regularly consulted on environmental matters.

The members of these committees were welcomed to the

meeting by Councillor John Tip-lady, Chairman of the Town Planning and Research Committee, and by Mr Graham Brown, the Borough's Chief Planning Officer and Deputy Director of Technical Services.

A slide and sound presentation, prepared by staff of the Planning Department, showed the special character of each conservation area, explaining the care taken that any new buildings should fit in with the scale and spirit of existing townscapes, not by designing pseudo Georgian shops and houses but by a sympathy of style and materials used.

The camera had also picked out some problem areas: double glazed picture replacement windows which destroy the cottage-style architecture of Hampstead Garden Suburb; a church roof where the paintwork was out of keeping with the area; a boarded-up Georgian house, unoccupied because its future use had not been settled; and an empty commercial site where planning per-

mission had been granted but the present economic climate meant that work was held up.

Graham Brown explained that the Council had limited powers to keep a site in a conservation area in a safe and tidy state, or to lay down the materials to be used in any new development. Where action was taken without planning permission the Council had to be sure that they would have the support of the Department of the Environment before forcing an owner to restore the property to its original style.

The same applied to planning applications. Even if somewhat reluctant to grant a particular application the Council had to assess it in the light of what was reasonable. It was expensive and time-consuming to defend a planning refusal at a public enquiry if it was likely that the Department of the Environment would grant the application.

Looking ahead, other areas of the borough were identified as possible future conservation areas — shopping parades at

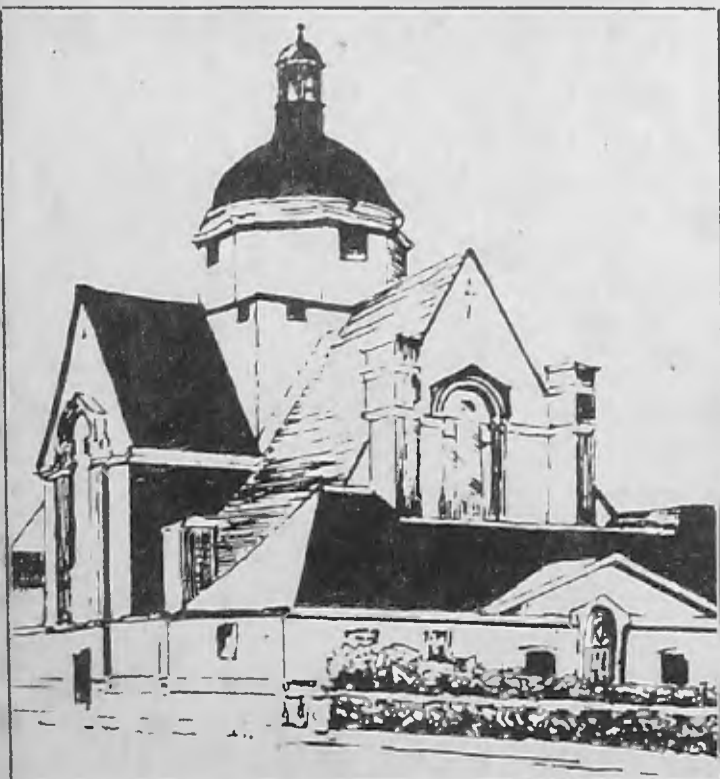
Golders Green; the High Road, Whetstone; and the Watling Housing Estate in Burnt Oak.

During the discussion which followed the presentation, members of the advisory committees raised subjects such as garden sheds in the Garden Suburb, a bus shelter in Mill Hill Village, and the former Methodist Church in Monken Hadley.

An exhibition featuring the planning guides and town trails published by the Council on the Conservation Areas was staged for the meeting and senior members of the planning staff were present to answer questions and give information.

## LEAFLETS

Leaflets describing the Conservation Areas, planning guidelines and tree protection, can be obtained from the Planning Department, London Borough of Barnet, Gateway House, 322 Regents Park Road, Finchley, N3.



St Jude's Church, Hampstead Garden Suburb, reflects architecture of the early 20th Century.



St Nicholas Church, Elstree village, rebuilt in the 19th century but with medieval origins.



St Mary the Virgin Church, Monken Hadley, where a church has stood since the 13th century.

# BOOTH ROAD HOMECOMING

COUNCILLOR Graham Fear, Chairman of the Council's Housing Committee, handed over the keys to the new owners of 146 Booth Road, Colindale, Mr. and Mrs. Shekhar Choudhury, who are among the first occupiers to move into this Council Build-for-Sale scheme.

The ceremony, on February 22, marked the final stages of the project — 24 one-bedroom maisonettes in three two-storey blocks, set in a landscaped garden.

One of the problems facing young couples and single people in the London area is the high price of housing. Through its Build-for-Sale schemes Barnet Council hope to provide homes at the lower end of the price market so that young people will not have to move away to cheaper housing areas. Mr. and Mrs. Choudhury, for instance, were council tenants on Grahame Park Estate.

Booth Road maisonettes were sold in the £20,000-plus price bracket and other schemes, now in hand, are priced from £24,000. They are available to council tenants and people on the housing waiting list.



The new maisonettes in Booth Road, Colindale.

With its honey-coloured brick and traditional tiled roofs, Booth Road maisonettes blend well with the surrounding residential area. They were designed in the Department of the Borough Architect. All the maisonettes have generous storage space and well-fitted kitchens and bathrooms.

For more details of the council's Build-for-Sale schemes contact the Sales Office, London Borough of Barnet Housing Department, Stag House, 92 Burnt Oak Broadway, Edgware, Middx. Tel: 952 8911.



Councillor Graham Fear presents the keys of their new home to Mr. and Mrs. Choudhury.

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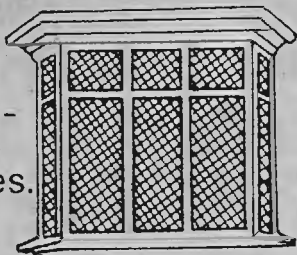


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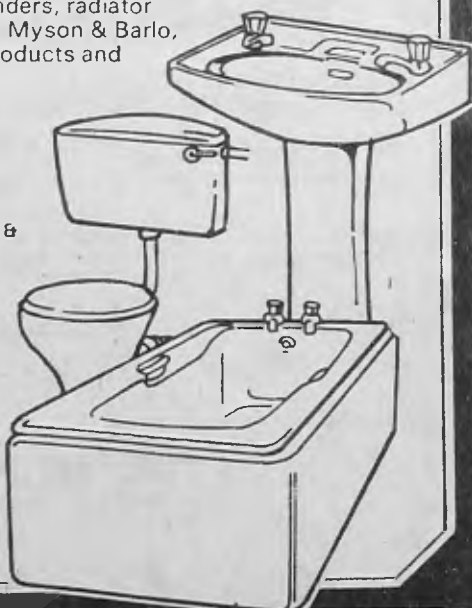


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# New lease of life for older houses

A SHOWHOUSE at 18 Percy Road in the Percy Road General Improvement Area of North Finchley is to be opened by the Mayor, Councillor Mrs. Rosa Freedman, on Wednesday, April 14, 1982, at 11.30 am. Residents are invited to come along and see for themselves what can be done with an old house and ask questions about the improvement grants available.

The showhouse will be open for the remainder of that week, including Saturday, April 17.

The turn of the century house at 18 Percy Road has been transformed by the installation of a new bathroom and kitchen, and general repairs to the building including re-wiring, re-roofing, window replacement, re-plumbing and the insertion of a new damp-proof course. The house now provides most of the amenities of a modern home.

Three other houses on Percy Road — nos. 8, 10 and 16, have also received basic repairs including re-roofing, window replacement and external decorations. A programme of internal modernisation of these three houses will begin during the next financial year which begins in April.

No. 30 Percy Road has recently been advertised for sale by the Council and is currently under offer. The purchaser will thereafter undertake the improvement of the property. The Council hopes that these works will help to encourage others to improve their homes.

Both owner occupiers and landlords in G.I.As can obtain cash assistance of up to 60 per cent of the cost. Home owners can get an Improvement Grant if their property lacks one or more basic amenity — such as an inside toilet or proper bathroom. Details about grants available both inside and outside General Improvement Areas can be obtained by telephoning 349 9121 and asking for

the Home Improvements Section.

Now that the Percy Road G.I.A. has been declared, the Council will also be carrying out environmental improvements in the neighbourhood. These include proposals to re-equip the playground on Percy Road, to give a 'face-lift' to land adjoining Church Path and to introduce a one-way traffic management system along Derby Avenue/Hall Street. Final details are now being drawn up and the works will be undertaken during the forthcoming financial year.

Percy Road G.I.A. includes the whole of Percy Road, Hall Street, Derby Avenue, Church Path, Coleridge Road, Grange Avenue, Nos. 19-83 (odd), 32-

58 (even) Lodge Lane, and Nos. 6-30 (even) Nether Street.

There are 328 dwellings in the G.I.A. of which 79 lack at least one standard amenity. It was in March, 1980, that the first Exhibition and Public Meeting was held to promote the idea of a G.I.A. being declared. The residents approved it in principle and established a residents' committee to liaise with officers of the Council. The residents' committee have met frequently and given valuable advice on a variety of matters.

A questionnaire was circulated to all households to find out what sort of improvements they felt were needed in their area. A set of proposals was then drawn up and these were approved by residents at a Public Meeting in February, 1981. Thereafter the G.I.A. was declared by the Council in September, 1981.

The showhouse will be open at the following times:

Wednesday, April 14, 2.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Thursday, April 15, 2.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Friday, April 16, 2.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Saturday, April 17, 10.00 am to 4.00 pm.

## NOW THERE ARE SEVEN

General Improvement Areas are identified by Barnet Council as neighbourhoods where older houses need to be renovated and modernised and environmental improvements carried out. This is encouraged with the aid of money from improvement grants so that houses and the environment can be given a new lease of life.

Percy Road G.I.A. is the seventh such area in the Borough. Existing G.I.A.'s are Brunswick Crescent, New Southgate (declared in 1973); Manor Park Road, East Finchley; Welbeck Road, East Barnet; Rasper Road, Whetstone; Long Lane, East Finchley; and Alston Road, Barnet.

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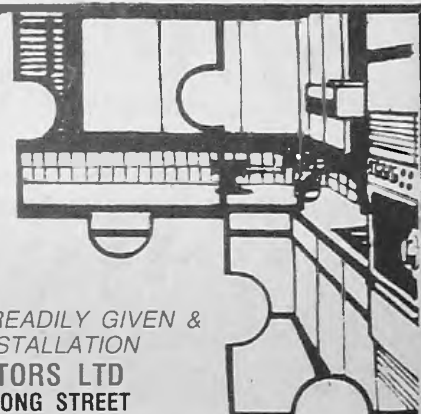
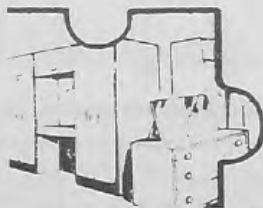
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# Letters to the editor

## 'PIRATES' GALORE

MANY THANKS for publishing my appeal for 'Pirates' for Borehamwood Operatic Society's production of 'Pirates of Penzance'. The response was overwhelming. More success than we've ever had from a newspaper before! I have had calls from residents of Arkley, Barnet, Edgware, Stanmore, Finchley, Potters Bar, etc., etc.!

Perhaps your readers would be interested to know a little about our society. It was founded 22 years ago, and in the early days staged one show and a concert each year. We have now reached a strength which enables us to present two full-stage shows each year plus some concerts.

We have an active membership of about 50 which rehearses on Thursdays in Borehamwood. For our modern shows this number is augmented by dancers, and sometimes children. We hire the services of a professional orchestra, make-up artiste, costumier and scenery company.

We are fortunate in that our shows are presented at the Civic Theatre in Borehamwood,

which is a fine venue with excellent facilities. The acoustics are good and the seating comfortable. The bar is well-stocked and the car park generous.

This autumn we shall be mounting our most ambitious production yet — that popular American musical 'Hello Dolly', and our Producer and Musical Director will be coaching us for six months to produce a show of a professional standard.

'Hello Dolly' will be presented at the Civic Theatre, Borehamwood on October 19-23 and we are now recruiting dancers (male in particular), a brass band (or separate players) and a drum majorette! If any of your readers have talents in this direction we would be pleased to hear from them. We could also use another rehearsal pianist — for whose services we would expect to pay. I can be contacted on 01-906 1453.

Edna Jury  
Chairman

Borehamwood Operatic Society  
20 Rowlands Close  
Bunns Lane  
Mill Hill

## Boost for the Arts

FOLLOWING my letter to the Civic News in November, about recruiting to Barnet Arts Club, I thought that readers might be interested to know the outcome. I received about 15 enquiries, from which one young lighting technician joined us immediately and worked on the autumn production, four people auditioned for and were awarded parts in the spring production, and another new member will be working on the technical side.

Inspired by this achievement, we are organising a Publicity and Membership drive in Barnet and Whetstone on Friday evening and Saturday morning, March 26 and 27 and on Friday evening and Saturday morning, April 2 and 3, culminating at the Harold Fern Room, Salisbury Road, Barnet, where we hope to attract as many new members as possible between 9.30 am and 12.30 pm, by offering refreshments and a chance to meet us and discover more about Barnet Arts Club.

We are planning local press coverage, local radio publicity, members in costume in Barnet High Street, and many more ideas are coming to fruition.

So, look out for us in front of

the Salisbury Hotel on the two Saturday mornings. Keep your eyes open for our costumed members and an ear alert to the radio.

Our spring production at Church House, Barnet, April 22 to 24, is 'Rape of the Belt' by Ben Levy, a very funny play about the Ninth Labour of Hercules and his meeting with the extremely attractive Amazons. The cast is complete but for one part, male as usual, so if any gentleman, experienced in the acting field, aged between 25 and 45, preferably not more than 5ft 9in tall, and on the lean side, is interested, there is the chance for you to play the delightful character of Theseus. Please contact me as soon as possible.

Rehearsals have just started and it will be a tragedy if the production cannot take place due to the lack of one actor. So, get in touch now! Do not delay! I look forward to hearing from ... could it be you? Telephone me almost any time. Don't give up, just keep trying.

Pauline Baker (Mrs)  
40 Hollickwood Avenue  
N.12  
Tel. 368 6228

## A community concern

BARNET Victims Support Scheme seems to be getting off the ground. A steering committee has been set up and a co-ordinator and deputy co-ordinator appointed.

For those who have not heard about this scheme it is a voluntary organisation set up to help the victims of crime by supporting and befriending them and attempting to reduce the stress and suffering at these times of crisis.

We are hoping to attract members of the community rather than officials from statutory agencies because this is an expression of community concern. By reaching out to offer understanding and help, and by recognising that even a seemingly trivial offence can have a major impact on any victim, young or old, such a scheme can provide an effective source to meet previously neglected needs.

Our referrals will be coming from the police who will be asking victims if they would like some help.

We hope to gather up a team of volunteer visitors or counsellors who will be backed up by a group of professionals and trained to provide emotional as well as practical help and advice. We are looking for warm, outgoing people with a capacity to stick with difficult situations and to show care and concern for others.

This is not a paid job but expenses can be covered. If you are interested please contact me on 440 9241 at the Probation Office, 7c High Street, Barnet.

I will be passing on the names, addresses and telephone numbers of prospective volunteers to our newly appointed co-ordinator, Miss Barbara Johnson.

Mrs E. M. Wayne

## Have you any work?

WITH GUIDANCE from the Employment Fellowship, development grants from Help the Aged and local charities and the approval of the TUC, local Work Centres for the Elderly were established some time ago at Wood Street United Reformed Church, High Barnet and the former North Finchley Baptist Church premises of Trinity Church in Dale Grove, North Finchley.

The purpose of the centres is to provide companionship and useful activity for retired men and women, reducing loneliness and improving mental and physical health. The work undertaken is obtained and paid for by local firms and typically can involve light sorting or collating, assembling components, packaging and putting printed

matter into envelopes or magazines.

The centres, and there are many others up and down the country, operate as non-profit-making charities and the small sums earned are distributed amongst those attending the centres, after the various overheads such as rent, heating and administration have been paid.

Work is always difficult to obtain and, in order that these worthwhile ventures can be sustained, the organiser of the centres, Mr Graeme Muir (449 1913) would be pleased to hear from anyone who may be able to provide work in large or small quantities with ample or short notice.

David Telford  
Secretary to Centres  
73 Bedford Avenue  
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## MND group formed

WHAT IS Motor Neurone Disease (MND)? Very few people have heard of it although there are approximately 5,000 known cases in the UK alone.

MND is a progressive disease in which the nerve cells controlling the muscles of movement are slowly destroyed causing great distress to patients and their families. Research is going on all over the world in an effort to find the cause.

Through the MND Association, local groups are being formed all over the country to

give help and advice to the sufferers and those associated with them. One such group has now been formed in this area and we are anxious to contact interested parties. We are also aiming to raise funds by various means, not only to help research but to provide comforts and aids for those in need. Please contact me.

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The children are nominated by the borough's Social Services Department and Mrs Sheila Rixon, chairman of the Toc H Committee.

Twenty children between 11 and 13 will spend the week of August 14 to 21 there. In the following week 24 younger children, will be off to camp.

John Rowley and Netta Cooke are recruiting volunteers who should be 17 years or over for the first week or 18 years plus for the second week.

Could you be the volunteer they are looking for? It's hard work but great fun. If you can help contact me.

Ralph Brown, Toc H  
40 Woodside Park Road  
Finchley, N12 Tel. 445 3583

THOSE WHO saw the appeal on television on behalf of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research will realise how much they depend on the money-raising work of their local branches.

This will be an eventful year for the Hampstead Garden Suburb and Golders Green Branch of ARC.

During National Arthritis Week, June 6-14, the branch will hold a coffee morning on June 10. Early in September there will be a 'Relaxing Evening' and a 'Light-hearted Entertainment Evening' in the Autumn. Everyone will be welcome.

Disabled or elderly people wanting transport to the branch's functions should contact the secretary, Miss H. Bach, 21 Daniel Court, North Acre, NW9 5UU or the acting chairman, Mrs K. Peters, 77 Lyttelton Road, N2 0DD (455 1138). Anyone wishing to help should get in touch with me.

Mrs R. Mase  
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## HELP FINCHLEY HELP YOURSELVES

THE CHALLENGE that the Rotary Club of Finchley have sent out to all young people in Finchley with the club's new Youth Award Scheme 1982 is — Help Finchley, Help Yourselves.

The club will be awarding a group of young people in Finchley £100 to be spent on equipment for their club.

The award is open to any recognised youth club, school or uniformed organisation in Finchley and will go to the club undertaking the best community project which can be shown to be workable and of positive value.

The Rotary Club will keep a watching brief on all projects entered for the award and will choose the winner by selecting the project which has best fulfilled the aims and objectives of the scheme.

The aim is to stimulate the youth of Finchley to help their local community and also to involve members of Rotary with young people.

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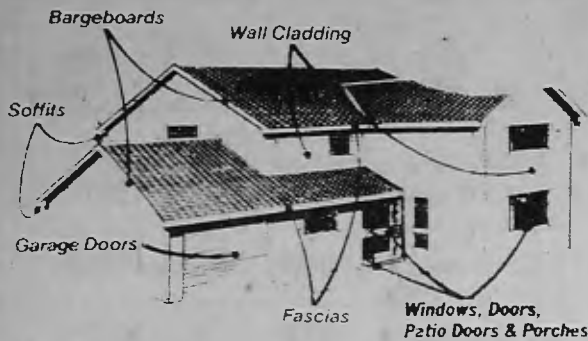
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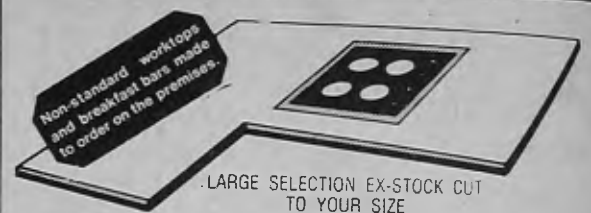
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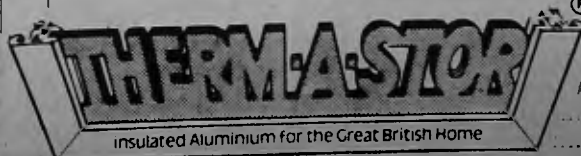
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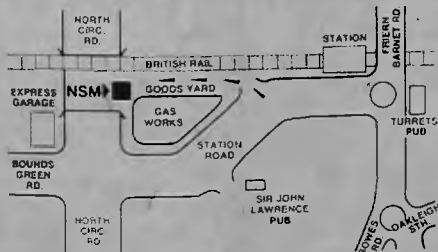
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Ashmole in Southgate; Hendon — yes, in Hendon; and Centre Point in Grahame Park. There are also other schools with special sports facilities.

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have a fine athletics stadium and jogging track, plus a swimming complex with a full programme of training courses for beginners through to club competitors.

The Council, through the Youth and Community Service based within the Education Department at Friern Barnet Town Hall, assists many voluntary youth organisations with financial grants and pays the salaries

of six full-time youth leaders in these voluntary clubs.

The Council's own youth and sports centre network is divided into four areas: Colindale, Mill Hill and Edgware; Hendon and Golders Green; Finchley up to Friern Barnet and Totteridge; and the Barnets. The development plan involves appointing district leaders with part-time or full-time youth leaders for the clubs and centres.

In this special feature on youth clubs and centres Civic News is listing council and larger voluntary clubs. There are many more, some attached to churches, some run by small local groups.

The importance of youth clubs and groups is also recognised by concessionary rents on such facilities as halls and sports pitches. An extensive list of youth organisations is held at the Youth and Community Service Office at Friern Barnet Town Hall. For information telephone 368 1255 or contact the Council's Information Centre at Ravensfield House, The Burroughs, Hendon. Telephone 202 8282.

## OUR CLUBS & CENTRES

**Ashmole Sports Centre**  
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**Grahame Park Youth Centre**  
Cornermead, Grahame Park Way. Leader: Ed Doran.  
Tel: 205 7112.  
Activities: art, badminton, fishing, football training, table tennis, trampolining and general club activities.

**Canada Villa Youth Centre**  
Sanders Lane, Mill Hill. Leader: Malcolm McQuillan.  
Tel: 959 2811.  
Activities: disco, film shows, indoor hockey, roller skating, pool, chess, judo, photography, table tennis, social and general club activities.

**Grahame Park Centrepoint**  
Cornermead, Grahame Park Way. Manager: Catherine Regan.  
Activities: badminton, drama, gymnastics, Tae Kwon Do, Karate, social, keep fit, netball, pop-mobility, swimming, trampolining. Facilities available for hire. Licensed bar.

**Church Farm Youth Centre**  
Church Hill Road, East Barnet. Leader: Rene Bowen.  
Tel: 368 0323/440 2487.  
Activities (Monday to Thursday): arts and crafts, cookery, judo, model railway, table tennis and general club activities.

**Hendon Sports Centre**  
Algernon Road, Hendon. Organiser: Tim Smithers.  
Tel: 202 6027.  
Activities: badminton, gymnastics, judo, popmobility, family fitness, trampolining, weight training.

**Finches Youth Sports Centre**  
Woodhouse School, Woodhouse Road, North Finchley. Leader: Eileen Gardner.  
Tel: 445 2550.  
Activities: basketball, football training, gymnastics, table tennis and general club activities.

**Herbert Wilmot Youth Centre**  
Market Place, East Finchley. Leader: Lis Darnley.  
Tel: 444 8422.  
Activities: football training, judo, keep fit, disco, basketball, indoor hockey and football, table tennis, pool, pinball and general club

activities (unemployed young people's afternoon, Tuesdays).

**Manor Arrows Youth Centre**  
Finchley Manorhill School, Summers Lane, N12. Leader: Peter Broomfield.  
Tel: 368 8976.  
Activities: badminton, basketball, cricket training, football, gymnastics, modern dance, table tennis, trampolining, speed skating and general club activities.

**Pymmes Youth Club**  
East Barnet Junior High School, Westbrook Crescent, New Barnet. Leader: Don Scheepers.  
Tel: 440 6473.  
Activities: drama, football, judo and general club activities.

**Queen Elizabeth's Centre**  
Meadway, Barnet. Manager: Vanessa Sykes.  
Tel: 441 2933.  
Activities: badminton, basketball, contemporary and modern dance, cricket nets, gymnastics, swimming, netball, popmobility, table tennis, tennis, trampolining, volleyball, yoga. Facilities available for hire. Licensed bar.

**Quinta Youth and Community Centre**  
Mays Lane, Barnet. Leader: Fred Hudd.  
Tel: 449 2914.  
Activities: badminton, chess, football training, judo, table tennis and general club activities.

**Rendezvous Youth Club**  
Coppetts Road, Muswell Hill. Leader: Ron Raymond.  
Tel: 444 7839.  
Activities: badminton, camping, five-a-side football, football training, table tennis, trampolining, volleyball, ice skating, Greek dancing, disco, holidays, pool and general club activities.

**Spur Road Youth Club**  
Community Centre, Green Lane, Edgware. Leader: Keith James.  
Tel: 368 1255 for further information.  
Activities: football training and general club activities.

**Welsh Harp Youth Sailing Base**  
Cool Oak Lane, Hendon. Organiser: Grahame Kyte.  
Tel: 202 6672.  
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**Whitefield Youth Club**  
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# YOUTH SCENE: Take Two

**THE CONFERENCE of Voluntary Youth Organisations** was set up here in Barnet in March 1979 under the Chairmanship of former Mayor Mr. Andrew Pares.

The aim of the Conference is to bring together voluntary youth organisations in the Borough in a common effort; to provide an open forum for mutual co-operation and the interchange of ideas; and to give an opportunity for young people's organisations in the Borough to express their viewpoint to the Borough Council, to the Government and sometimes to the general public.

That is all a very formal way of saying that 'together we are more influential than we are as individuals.' Scouts, Guides, Jewish Organisations, Church groups, Woodcraft, Girls' Brigade, Boys' Brigade and many



Totteridge Scout Band taking part in Finchley Carnival

other youth groups active in the Borough make up the Conference with the personal involvement of the Borough's Principal Youth and Community Services Officer, Mr. David Metcalfe.

The Conference has proved its worth and emerged as a major influence on youth work

generally in the Borough. Regular Open Forums are held to keep leaders of youth groups informed about major issues which might affect them and their members. Issues tackled so far include Alcoholism and Young People; Community Service, How to help the Young

Disabled. Where youth groups can find alternative sources of finance; and programme ideas. They have been involved in such issues as rents for school premises, the modernisation of Mount Barn Community Centre, East Finchley.

The Conference is represented on the Council's Youth and Community Services Subcommittee; the Greater London Standing Conference of Voluntary Youth Organisations; and the Barnet Voluntary Services Council.

The Secretary of the Conference is Mrs. Jenny Sparks. She maintains an up-to-date list of voluntary youth organisations in the Borough and the facilities they offer, and can answer any of your queries. Her telephone number is 449 7783.

In addition to the clubs listed there are many more throughout the Borough offering a wide variety of activities. Details from the Youth and Community Service at the Town Hall, Friern Barnet, N11. Telephone: 360 1255.

## VOLUNTARY YOUTH GROUPS

### Guides, Brownies and Rangers

Activities: Camping, community service, badgework, artistic, creative and educational pursuits. 7 to 18 years.

Borough Commissioner: Miss Eva Salisch, 39 Ashurst Road, Cockfosters, Barnet, Herts. Tel: 449 9270.

### Scouts, Cubs and Venture Scouts

Activities: Camping, community service, badgework, artistic, creative and educational pursuits. 8 to 18 years.

Borough Commissioner: Mr. Michael English, 4 High Birch Court, Park Road, New Barnet, Herts. Tel: 440 0094.

### Boys' Brigade and Anchor Boys

Christian based uniformed organisation. Activities: Camping, community service, band, sports, Bible class, badgework, educational, artistic and creative pursuits. 6 to 18.

Battalion President: Mr. Arthur Wardle, 11a Churchfield Avenue, North Finchley, N12. Tel: 446 2690.

### Girls' Brigade

Christian based uniformed organisation. Activities: Camping, community service, band, sports, Bible class, badgework, educational, artistic and creative pursuits. 4 to 18.

Divisional Commandant: Miss E. Johnson, 57 Bertram Road, Hendon, NW4. Tel: 202 7477.

### Woodcraft Folk

Mixed sex uniformed organisation, non-denominational. Activities: Camping, drama, singing, folk dancing, games, community service. 6 to 18.

Chairman: Mr. Peter Wood, 50 Alexandra Grove, North Finchley, N12. Tel: 445 3970; Mr. A. Winslow, 10 Friern Watch Avenue, North Finchley, N12. Tel: 445 5742.

### Air Training Corps

#### 1374 Squadron, East Barnet

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Squadron H.Q., Gloucester Road, New Barnet, Herts.

#### 393 Squadron, Finchley

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Flt. Lt. P. E. Guiver, 98 Sherrards Way, Barnet, Herts. Tel: 440 2806.

#### 120 Squadron, Hendon

RAF Pre-service training unit. 14 to 18.

Flt. Lt. G. Page, 56 Tenterden Drive, Hendon, NW4. Tel: 202 2855.

### Army Cadet Corps

#### 218 Squadron RCT, Barnet

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2nd Lt. B. A. Brown, 22 Brent Place, Barnet, Herts. Tel: 440 9827.

#### 214 Company PARA, Finchley

Army Pre-service training unit. 14 to 18.

Captain R. A. Rayner, TAVR Centre, 444 High Road, N12. Tel: 623 4631, ext. 323 (business).

#### 211 Company Queen's Army Cadet Force, Edgware

Army Pre-service training unit. 14 to 18.

Lt. G. N. Clift, 9 The Riding, Alverstone Avenue, East Barnet, Herts. Tel: 361 9647.

### Sea Cadet Corps

#### T. S. Tartar, Finchley

Navy Pre-service training unit. 14 to 18.

Lt. S. E. O. Webb, RNR, 2 Duncan Close, New Barnet, Herts. Tel: 440 8691.

#### Unit 121, Edgware/Mill Hill

Navy Pre-service training. 14 to 18.

Lt. Peter Cock, RNR, 5 Willow Green, Borehamwood, Herts. Tel: 953 3592.

#### Unit 178, Hendon

Navy Pre-service training. 14 to 18.

Lt. Gerald Beck, RNR, 13 Linton Avenue, NW9. Tel: 205 5703.

#### Unit 101, Edgware/Mill Hill (GNJC)

Navy Pre-service training for girls. 14 to 18.

Mrs. P. A. Parkes, T.S. Barosa, Daws Lane, NW7.

#### Girls Maritime Corps, Hendon

Pre-service training.

Miss J. Goodenough, 43 Bronte House, Cambridge Road, Kilburn, NW6. Tel: 642 5765.

### British Red Cross

First Aid and Ambulance training. 11 to 18.

Borough Cadet Officer: Mrs. N. Gates, 83 Longmore Avenue, New Barnet, Herts.

### St John Ambulance Brigade

First Aid and Ambulance training. 11 to 18.

#### East Barnet: Mrs. I. Bundle, 29

Avondale Avenue, East Barnet, Herts. Tel: 368 7495.

#### Finchley: Miss S. Parker, 206

Basing Way, N3. Tel: 346 2743.

#### Edgware & Mill Hill: Mrs. R. S.

Brain, 105 Herkomer Road, Bushey, Herts. Tel: 950 2566.

### Jewish Lads and Girls' Brigade

Religious based uniformed organisation. Activities: Camping, band, sports, badgework, cultural, creative and educational pursuits. 8 to 18.

Mr. Richard Weber, 49 Green Lane, Edgware, Middlesex. Tel: 953 3985.

### General Youth Clubs

#### Annunciation Catholic Youth Club, Burnt Oak

General club activities, Irish dancing, football. 8 to 18. Monday to Friday.

Mrs. N. Sims, Annunciation Youth Centre, Thurlby Road, Burnt Oak, Middlesex. Tel: 959 0911.

#### Mill Hill Union Church Youth Centre

General club activities. 14 to 20. Weds/Thurs/Friday evenings and Saturday mornings.

Mr. Bob Ginger, 45 Mayfield Avenue, N12. Tel: 959 0758 (central) 446 4937 (home).

#### Childs Hill Youth Club

General club activities. 14 to 20. Wednesday and Friday evenings and Saturday morning.

Mr. J. Davis, 13 Mountfield, Granville Road, NW2. Tel: 458 6782

#### Stonegrove Estate Youth Club Edgware

General club activities. 14 to 20. Monday/Wednesday and Friday.

Mr. D. Lay, 1 Brenden Court, Stonegrove, Edgware, 'Middlesex.

#### Monkfrith Boys' Club, East Barnet

General club activities. 14 to 20. Mons/Tues/Thurs/Fri/Sunday.

Mr. R. T. Bowen, 72 Puller Road, Barnet, Herts. Tel: 449 9061.

#### Watling Boys' Club, Burnt Oak

14 to 20. Monday to Fridays.

Mr. C. Hedges, 196 Stretfield Road, Kenton, Harrow. Tel: 950 7348 (centre).

#### Oxford & St. Georges North London Jewish Centre, White

stone 14 to 20. Monday, Thursday and Sunday.

Mr. T. Stallman, Henriques House, 120 Oakleigh Road, North, N20. Tel: 446 3101.

#### SPEC Jewish Youth Centre East Barnet

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Mr. J. Wosner, 67 Avondale Avenue, N12. Tel: 368 5117.

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Canoeing at Pymmes Club.

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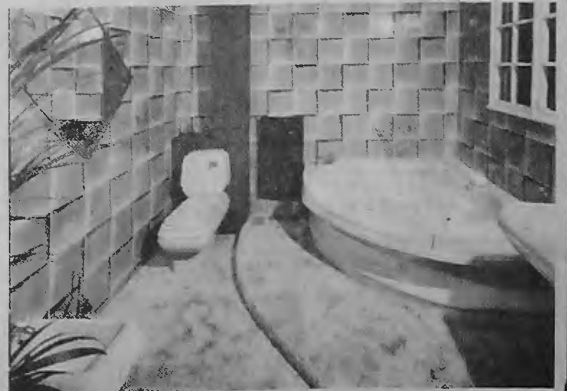


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# WHAT'S ON IN BARNET

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

**Entries for the May issue (May 15 to June 12) must reach the editor by April 8.**

**Entries to Civic News, address: page 4.**

**\*Asterisk denotes regular weekly meeting.**

## Saturday March 13

**Cancelled:** The Antiques Fair which was to have been held by the Arkley Association at the Village Hall, Barnet Lane, Arkley, has been cancelled because of a clash of dates with a similar event nearby.

British Tinnitus Association (NW London), The Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon. 1.30 pm.  
Barnet & Finchley Save the Children Fund Spring Fair, Methodist Church Hall, High Street, Barnet. 10 am—12.30 pm (449 6756).

Christian Aid for Poland coffee morning, Upper Hall, Church House, Wood Street, Barnet. 10.30 am—12 noon. Bring and Buy produce stall (449 9902).

\*Drama Workshop for children, The Old Bull, 68 High Street, Barnet. Ages 7—10, 10.30 am—12.30 pm; 10—12, 1.30—3.30 pm. 50p per session (449 0048).

\*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. Tuition in swimming for adults and children of all ages. Warm indoor pool in Hampstead. 2—5 pm (349 1844).

\*Social Singles Club for unattached people 30 to 50; 8 pm (368 3978) or SAE to 62 Hand-side Lane, Welwyn Garden City.

\*Indian Classical Dance Class, Queen Elizabeth Sports Centre, Meadway, High Barnet. 11 am—12 noon (368 0842 after 6 pm, 574 0371, day).

\*Barnet Thirty Plus Group unattached people 30 to 50; 8 pm. Social events (531 5993 or SAE to 43 Abbotts Crescent, Chingford).

## Sunday March 14

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

\*Barnet and District Athletic Club, youngsters training. Victoria Hall, Park Road, East Barnet. 10.30 am (882 3265).

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

\*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. Every 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 (455 2850).

\*Zen Meditation meetings, 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).

\*Finchley Crusaders, Christian Youth Group for boys and girls. Ages 5-11, 3—4 pm, 46 Dollis Avenue, N3 (346 6715); 11-18, 3—4 pm, St. Mary's Church Hall, Hendon Lane, N3 (346 1277).

\*120 (Hendon) Squadron Air Training Corps, RAF Hendon, Aerodrome Road, Colindale, NW9. Boys 13½-15½. 10 am—12.30 pm (205 7297).

\*Wembley Sailing Club, Birchen Grove, NW9. Sailing on Welsh Harp. Beginners welcome (455 5073).

## Monday March 15

Friern Barnet Council for Voluntary Service Whist Drive, Day Centre, Friern Barnet Lane, N11. 2.15 pm (368 4278).

Hampstead Garden Suburb Antiques Circle. Visit to Ballybeg Restorations for demonstration on furniture restoration and discussion. Depart, Bigwood House 7.45 pm (202 0269).

\*Annunciation Youth Centre, Thirleby Road, Burnt Oak. 6 pm Judo; Guitar; Football, girls and boys 11-16; 8 pm. General activities 13-17. **Tuesdays:** Irish dancing 5 pm; Popmobility girls 7.30 pm, ladies 8 pm.

**Wednesdays:** 6.15 pm Brownies; 8 pm girls' football general club 13-17 yrs; **Thursdays:** Over 60s 2 pm; Guides 7 pm; **Fridays:** Junior Youth Club (9-12 yrs) 6 pm; General Club (12-14 yrs), 7.30 pm; Friday's People (18-25 yrs) 8 pm; **Saturdays:** Irish dancing 10 am; Boppers Disco (9-12 yrs) 7.30 pm (959 7840).

\*New Barnet Literary and Debating Society, East Barnet Baptist Church Hall, corner of East Barnet Road and Crescent Road. 8 pm (440 3859).

\*Woodcraft Folk (High Barnet) — Barnet Hill School, Dollis Valley Way, boys and girls 6-10 years 6.15—7.30 pm (440 5369), 10-13 years 7.45—9.15 pm (449 7709); Foulds School, Byng Road, Barnet, 6-10 years 6.15—7.30 pm (449 0361), 10-13 years 7.30—9 pm (449 6038).

\*4th East Barnet Mixed Venture Scout Unit (16-20), Netherlands Road, near Oakleigh Park Station, New Barnet. 8 pm (449 1210).

\*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, Meadway, 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 (959 4723/346 6925).

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

\*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).

\*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)

\*Rhythm, movement and dance workshop, Church End, Finchley, N3. All week, evenings and daytime (364 4558).

**Mental Health Association (MIND) Advice Centre, 154 Station Road, Hendon. Mondays 10.30 am—12.30 pm; Wednesday 2—4 pm; Thursdays 8—10 pm. No appointment necessary.**

\*1st Hendon Company Boys' Brigade, United Reformed Church, Eversfield Gardens, Mill Hill. 6-8 years. 4.30 pm; 8-11 years. 6.30 pm; 11-17 years. 8 pm (427 6237).

\*Pop-Flexibility Sessions (exercise to music), held at Finchley

Sports Hall. 7.30—9.30 pm (349 1844).

\*Modern sequence and old time dancing, St. Paul's Church Hall, High Road, New Southgate (end of Woodlands Road). 7.30 pm (886 3799).

\*Self-defence course for girls, Bunyan Hall, Trinity Church, Ballards Lane, North Finchley. 7 pm (346 3621).

\*Drawing, painting and sculpture for 7- to 12-year-olds. Old Bull Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet. 4.30—5.45 pm. 50p per session (449 0048).

## Tuesday March 16

Solo Club for widowed, divorced and single (26-60), Finchley area. 8 pm (889 0513/346 8978).

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

Bible Study led by Captain Shaw Clifton, Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 7.45 pm (440 4649).

\*Barnet and District Athletic Club Training Night, Victoria Hall, East Barnet, 7.15 pm (441 1589).

\*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. 8.15 pm (455 9136).

\*Friern Barnet Photographic Society, Dollisfield Library,

Totteridge Lane. 8 pm (445 2617).

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

\*Herbert Wilmot Youth Centre Market Place, East Finchley 2—4 pm open for unemployed young people 16-21 years 7.30—10 pm Senior Youth Club 13-21 years — occasional disco, general club activities (444 8422).

\*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 4523).

\*Barnet Hockey Club training session, Grahame Park, 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, open to all, 7.45 pm (202 6242 to apply).

\*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 (366 2193).

\*Jewish Association & Cultural Society, Henriques House 120 Oakleigh Road North, N20. 1.30—3.30 pm (366 3986).

\*Home League women's meeting, East Finchley Salvation Army, Hertford Road, East Finchley. 2.15 pm (444 0207).

\*Barnet Tae Kwon Do Club, Trinity Church Hall, Dale Grove North Finchley. 7—9 pm (440 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. 2.15 pm.

\*Tae Kwon Do Club, Centre Point, Grahame Park. 8—9 pm (200 7112).

\*Ladies' Fellowship, United Mission, Pembroke Road, Muswell Hill. 2.15 pm (444 5536).

\*Friern Barnet Photographic Society, St. John's Hall, Friern Barnet Lane (next to Whetstone Police Station). 8 pm (445 2617).

\*Friends of Clitterhouse Junior School — Bingo session during term time — Claremont Road, Cricklewood. 8 pm.

\*English Country Dancing, Holy Trinity Church Hall, Church Lane, East Finchley, N2. 7.30 pm (445 4772).

\*120 (Hendon) Squadron Air Training Corps, RAF Hendon, Aerodrome Road, Colindale, NW9. Boys 13½-15½. 7.30—9.30 pm (205 7297).

\*Goodwyn Avenue Badminton Club, Methodist Church, Goodwyn Avenue, Mill Hill.

## EXHIBITIONS

### March 15 to 20

Association of Jewish Youth Clubs — a selection of work following a competition. The Old Bull, 68 High Street, Barnet. Open: Mon—Sat. 10 am—6 pm (closed pm Thursday) (449 0048).

### March 17 to April 7

Drawings and paintings by Heather and Gordon Tweedale, The Crest Gallery, Totteridge Library, 'Dollisfield', Totteridge Lane, Totteridge. 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).

### March 22 to April 10

New paintings by John M. Thompson, teacher at Bishop Douglass School, The Old Bull, 68 High Street, Barnet. Open: Mon—Sat, 10 am—6 pm (closed pm Thursday) (449 0048).

### Until March 24

Finchley Art Society, Stanhope Road Centre, Stanhope Road, North Finchley.

chley. Open: Mon—Fri, 10 am—noon, 1—3.30 pm, 6.30—8.30 pm (445 6068).

### Until March 27

Oil paintings by Denise Nemizov, North Finchley Library, Ravensdale Avenue, North Finchley. Normal library opening hours (445 4081).

### March 27 to April 24

Hendon Camera Club — work by members, Hendon Library, The Burroughs, Hendon. Normal library opening hours (202 5625).

### March 28 to 31 May

Silver Studios — Exhibition on the work by this London Design Studio which has produced designs for a wide range of fabrics, wallpapers and other furnishings, Church Farm House Museum, Greyhound Hill, Hendon. Open: weekdays (except Tues.), 10 am—1 pm, 2—5.30 pm; Tues, 10 am—1 pm; Sunday 2—5.30 pm (203 0130). Collection is now held by Middlesex Polytechnic.

# WHAT'S ON

## Wednesday March 17

Barnet & District Local History Society, Council Offices, Wood Street, Barnet. 8.15 pm. 'Inner Secrets of Westminster and House of Lords' (77 54150).  
 Woodside Park TWG, The Old Finchleians Club House, Southover, North Finchley. 2.15 pm (346 2095).  
 Hendon Floral Art Group, Henry Burden Hall, Egerton Gardens. 'Personal choice of theme'. 7.30 pm (959 6111).  
 Finchley Rotaract Club, Moss Hall Tavern, Ballards Lane, North Finchley. 8.30 pm (349 2709).  
 National Trust Edgware and District Centre, John Keble Hall, Deans Lane, Edgware. 7.30 pm. AGM and Open Forum (952 2688).  
 Friary Ladies Club, Assembly Rooms, Colney Hatch Lane, Friern Barnet (entrance at rear in Lyndhurst Avenue). 8 pm (368 0638).  
 Lions Club of Finchley, Hendon Hall Hotel, Ashley Lane, Hendon. 7.30 pm (951 2196).  
 \*Barnet Caving Group, The Joiners Arms, Ballards Lane, N3. Beginners and experienced cavers welcome. 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 Sequence Dance Club, Manor Drive Methodist Church Hall, Whetstone. 8—10.30 pm (446 4816).  
 \*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. Graded classes from 7 pm onwards (Hatfield 61448).  
 \*Chipping Barnet YCs, Barnet Conservative Club, 33 High Street, Barnet. 8 pm (449 7345 daytime).  
 \*Finchley & Friern Barnet YCs, 212 Ballards Lane, North Finchley. 8 pm (445 9426).  
 \*Edgware Amateur Cine Society, Orange Hill Junior School, Hamonde Close, Edgware. 8 pm (959 7783 or 428 9659).  
 \*Whist at Fellowship House, Wilfield 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).

\*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, 5.15 pm; Juniors, 6.15 pm; Seniors, 7.15 pm. Girls' and ladies' self defence; 8—9 pm, Yoga and football (444 8422).  
 \*Over 60s Meeting, West Hen-

don 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. New members welcome (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).  
 \*Yoga classes (fit or disabled), St. Mary's Church Hall, East Barnet. 2 pm—3.30 pm (440 1828). Multiple sclerosis group starting soon.  
 \*Mountfield Old Time and Modern Sequence Dance Club, Martin School, Finchley N2. 7.30 pm.  
 \*East Finchley Neighbourhood Centre, 42 Church Lane, N2. Social Work Surgery. 1.30—3.30 pm (444 6265).  
 \*Drama Workshop for children 5—7, Old Bull Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet. 4.15—5.45 pm.

Teenagers 6.30—8.30 pm. 50p per session (449 0048).  
 \*Drama-Growth for adults, Old Bull Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet. 8.30—10 pm (77 58636).

## Thursday March 18

Greater London Old English Sheepdog Club. Grooming/obedience training, Hendon Football Club, Claremont Road, NW2. 8 pm (458 7028).  
 \*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 8976).  
 \*Finchley Old Time and Modern Sequence Dance Club, Martin School, East Finchley. 7.30 pm.  
 \*Hendon & Edgware 18 Plus Group, Midland Arms, Church Road, Hendon. 8.15 pm (452 6144).  
 \*National Council for the Divorced and Separated (NW London Branch), Cavalier Rooms, Prince Albert, Golders Green Road, Golders Green. 8 pm.  
 \*Mental Health Association (MIND) Social Club, 154 Station Road, Hendon. 8—10 pm (455 2850).  
 \*Finchley Chess Club, Day Centre, Etchingam Park Road, Finchley, N3. 7 pm (445 7560).  
 \*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,

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

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

- Monday, March 15: Housing; Development and Estates.
- Tuesday, March 16: Public Works; Social Services.
- Wednesday, March 17: Town Planning and Research.
- Thursday, March 18: Council — Rates Meeting.
- Monday, March 29: Finance.

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# WHAT'S ON

East Barnet. 7.30 pm (449 2852).

\*Barnet and District Athletic Club — Joggers night at Victoria Hall, Park Road, East Barnet. 7 pm (441 1589).

\*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. Senior Youth Club (13 to 21 years) and general activities. 7.30 pm (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 HQ, 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 (458 5826).

\*Barnet Tae Kwon Do Club, Trinity Church Hall, Dale Grove, North Finchley. 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).

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

\*Boys' Brigade, 1st New Barnet, Brookside Methodist Church, East Barnet. 6-8 years. 6 pm; 8-11 years. 6.30 pm (441 2042).

\*Hendon Chess Club, 7 Sunningfields Road, Hendon. 7.30 pm.

\*Sequence Dancing, St. Stephen's Hall, Bells Hill, Barnet. Beginners class 7.30—8.30 pm; General dancing

8.30—10 pm (77 52949).

\*High Barnet Woodcraft Folk, Underhill School, Mays Lane, Barnet. Boys and girls 6-10 years 6.15—7.30 pm (441 3233).

\*8th Hendon Company Boys' Brigade (Pre-Junior) 5-8 years 6 pm, Mill Hill East Church, Salcombe Gardens (205 3182/346 6167).

Russell Club (National Association of Women's Clubs), Southaw School, Russell Lane, Whetstone. 8 pm (361 1553).

\*JACS (Finchley Branch) — cultural club for retired people, The Caller Wing, Finchley Synagogue, Kinloss Gardens, Finchley, N3. 1.30 pm (368 3986).

\*Retirement Club, Montagu Road Centre, Montagu Road, Hendon. 1.45 pm (202 2233).

\*Over 60s Club, Salvation Army Citadel, Brampton Grove, Hendon. 2 pm.

\*Pop-flexibility sessions, Finchley Sports Centre, High Road, N3. 7.30 pm (349 1844).

\*3rd East Barnet Scout Group (11-16 years), Headquarters, Vernon Crescent, East Barnet. 6 pm.

**Friday March 19**

The Historical Association (North London Branch), Enfield Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield. 7.45 pm. 'Social History in Middlemarch' (Lea Valley 719866).

Broadfields Evening TWG,

Orange Hill Junior School, Hamonde Close, Edgware. 7.30 pm (958 4845).

Barnet Afternoon TWG, Church House, Wood Street. 2 pm (449 0714).

\*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).

\*Herbert Wilmot Youth Centre, Market Place, East Finchley. Junior Youth Club (8-13 years), general activities. 5.45 to 8.15 pm (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).

Barnet Arts Workshop Dance/Keep Fit Class, Avenue House, East End Road, Finch-

ley. 75p (creche). 10—11 am and 11.15 am—12.15 pm (346 7120).

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

\*Bible Fellowship, Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 7.45 pm (445 8200).

\*5th Hendon Boys' Brigade, Orange Hill Junior School, Hamonde Close, Edgware. 8-11 years. 6.30 pm; 11-16 years. 8 pm (952 3385).

\*Barnet Blind Bowls Club, Church Hall, High Barnet. 2.30 pm (449 7058).

\*High Barnet Woodcraft Folk Venturers 13-16+ (enquire at Queen Elizabeth's Sports Centre for location) (440 2426).

\*Mother and Toddlers Group, The Hyde URC Hall, Colindale, Colindale. 2—3.30 pm. During school term (200 5375).

\*120 (Hendon) Squadron Air Training Corps, RAF Hendon, Aerodrome Road, Colindale, NW9. Boys 13½-15½. 7.30—9.30 pm (205 7297).

\*3rd East Barnet Club Scout Pack (8-11 years). Headquarters, Vernon Crescent, East Barnet. 6.30 pm.

\*1st Golders Green Ranger Guide Unit (14-19 years), St. Albans Church Hall, West Heath Drive, NW11. 7.45 pm (360 6456 day).

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 Friends of Clitterhouse Junior School, Claremont Road, Cricklewood. Jumble and good as new sale. 2 pm.

**Sunday March 21**

Finchley & Barnet CND — Mothering Sunday visit to Women's Peace Camp, Greenham Common, Bucks (449 3416).  
 Mothers' Day meetings led by Captain Mrs. Sylvia Beardsmore, Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 10.30 am and 6.30 pm.

**Monday March 22**

London Hash House Harriers — pleasant jog for 50-60 minutes. Spring Equinox celebration on Hampstead Heath. Meet behind Jack Straw's Castle. 6.45 pm for 7 pm start. Bring torch (349 2332).

**Wednesday March 24**

Finchley Antiques Appreciation Group, Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley, N3. 7.50 pm. 'Antique wooden boxes' (906 1869/445 7247).  
 Finchley Church End Afternoon TWG, St. Mary's Church Hall, Hendon Lane, Finchley, N3. 2.15 pm (346 4178).

**Thursday March 25**

The North London Society (Association of Certified Accountants), Royal Chase Hotel, The Ridgeway, Enfield. 'Tax

Appeals'. 8 pm (445 7498).  
 Barnet/Finchley Community Health Council, Board Room, Barnet General Hospital, Wellhouse Lane. 7.30 pm (449 3714).  
 Finchley & Barnet CND, Friends Meeting House, 56 Alexandra Grove, North Finchley. 8 pm (449 3414).  
 Osidge Branch (Women's Section) Chipping Barnet Conservative Association, St. Andrew's Hall, Chase Side, Southgate. 2 pm (368 5414).  
 Pensioners' Voice (Colindale and

Burnt Oak), Burnt Oak Library, Watling Avenue, Burnt Oak. 1.30 pm (959 4683).  
 Pensioners' Voice (Whetstone and Finchley), St. Albans Parish Centre, Gainsborough Road, North Finchley. 1.30 pm (445 7413).  
 Hendon & District Aquatic Society, Henry Burden Hall, Egerton Gardens, Hendon. 8 pm (368 8430).

**Friday March 26**

New Barnet Amateur Gardeners

and Floral Art Society, Floral Art demonstration, 123 Lyonsdown Avenue, New Barnet. 2.30 pm (449 1401).

**Saturday March 27**

Spring Fair, Our Lady of Lourdes School, Bow Lane, North Finchley. 11 am—4 pm (346 1681).  
 Toc H. A party for past visitors to Toc H children's camps, Toc H building, Barnet Road, Potters Bar. 3 pm (445 3588). Volunteer helpers for 1982 welcome.

**Sunday March 28**

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

**Monday March 29**

Finchley Chrysanthemum Society, Manorside School, Squires Lane, Finchley, N3. Speaker: Mr. Ron Mayo. 8 pm (346 2974).  
 Barnet Ratepayers' and Residents' Association AGM, Council Chambers, Wood Street, Barnet. 8 pm (449 0807).

**Tuesday March 30**

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

**Wednesday March 31**

Amnesty International (Golders Green), Unitarian Church, Hoop Lane, NW11. 7.30 pm (346 3138).  
 Friary Ladies Club, Assembly Rooms, Colney Hatch Lane, N11 (entrance at rear in Lyndhurst Avenue). 8 pm (368 0638).

**Thursday April 1**

Hampstead Scientific Society, Burgh House, New End Square, NW3. 8 pm. 'Music and the Brain' (794 9341).  
 Circassian Circle Folk Dance Club, Harwood Hall, Mill Hill Broadway. 7.45 pm (950 5756).  
 Women's Aid monthly meeting.

## YOUTH DRAMA FESTIVAL Centrepont

Schools, Youth Clubs, groups and young drama students will be taking part in the Barnet Youth Drama Festival at Centrepont, Grahame Park from Monday, March 22 to Saturday, March 27.

Every evening at 7.30 there will be a full programme of presentations and on the Saturday a specially selected programme of some of the best and most interesting entries will be presented.

Programmes and tickets are on sale at the door and the organisers hope that everyone interested in youth activities and the theatre will support the festival to give the young actors the

chance of testing their skills in front of a large audience.

The entries include one-act plays, monologues and duologues, chorus work and musical items and sketches.

The adjudicator is Mr. Graham Sutar who has been a well known judge at previous youth drama festivals and there will be general and special awards for the entries.

Grahame Park Centre Point is the out-of-school-hours name for Grahame Park Comprehensive School and the festival is taking place in the main school hall which is specially designed for theatrical productions.

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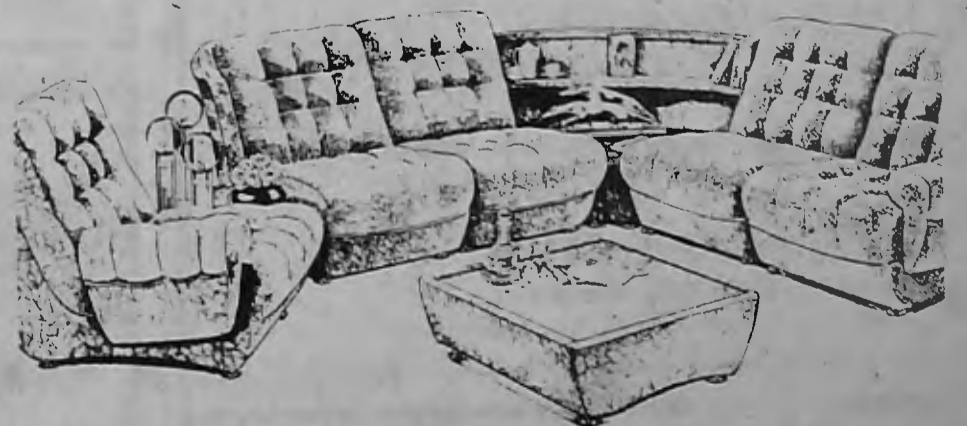
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Contact Jean Feldman 449 4847.  
Hendon Afternoon TWG, Cheshir Hall, Foster Street, Hendon. 2 pm (202 6081).

Probus Club of Finchley, Finchley Bowling Club, Etchingham Park Road, Finchley. 'Campanology — the art of bell ringing'. 11 am (445 4727).

Multiple Sclerosis Society (Barnet & District). AGM and social evening, Lyonsdown Hall, Lyonsdown Road, New Barnet. 7.30 pm (Hatfield 64282).

**Friday April 2**  
The Historical Association (North London Branch), Enfield Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield. 7.45 pm (Lea Valley 719866).

**Saturday April 3**  
20th Century Sequence Dancing Club, Queen Elizabeth's Centre, Meadway, Barnet. 7.30 pm (360 2586).

Friern Barnet Council for Voluntary Service Whist Drive, Day Centre, Friern Barnet Lane. 8 pm (368 4278).

Sydney Chapman, MP Chipping Barnet, and a Barnet Councillor, hold an advice bureau. 163 High Street, Barnet. 10.30—12 noon (449 7345).

**Monday April 5**  
Finchley League of Jewish Women, Kinloss Synagogue, Kinloss Gardens, Finchley, N3. North Finchley. 8.30 pm (349 2709).

**Thursday April 8**  
Friern Barnet Branch Finchley

Labour Party, 3 Beaconsfield Road, Friern Barnet. Speaker: Dr. I. Levy 'Memories of Pesach'. 1.30 pm (882 3064).

National Federation of Pensioners' Association (Mill Hill, London), John Keble Hall, Deans Lane, Edgware. 1.30 pm (349 0426).

Barnet R.E.M.A.P., Occupational Therapy Department, Barnet General Hospital, Wellhouse Lane, Barnet. 7.30 pm (Hemel Hempstead 55913).

**Tuesday April 6**  
Friern Barnet Friery TWG, Christ Church URC Church Hall, Bellevue Road, N11. 1.45 pm (445 8011).

Solo Club for widowed, divorced and single (26-60), Finchley area. 8 pm (889 0513/346 8978 evenings).

**Wednesday April 7**  
Lions Club of Finchley, Hendon Hall Hotel, Ashley Lane, Hendon. 7.30 pm (951 2196).

Ecology Party (Barnet/Finchley) (449 8297).

Finchley Rotaract Club, Moss Hall Tavern, Ballards Lane,

Hendon & District Aquatic Society, Henry Burden Hall, Egerton Gardens, Hendon. 8 pm (368 8430).

Pensioners' Voice (East Finchley), East Finchley Library,

High Road. 1.30 pm (444 5950).

Barnet and District Fuchsia Society, Council Offices, Wood Street, Barnet. Speaker: Mr. Alan Dyas. 8 pm (St. Albans 59989).

**Friday April 9**  
Hendon & District Cage Birds Association, Carey Hall, Wilberforce Road, West Hendon. 7.30 pm (205 2647).

**Saturday April 10**  
British Tinnitus Association (NW London), The Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon. 1.30 pm (444 9657).

**Saturday March 13**  
Sponsored swim at Copthall Pool. Contact Gerald Kirby, 45 Bulwer Road, New Barnet, Herts.

**Tuesday March 30**  
Dinner and Dance at London Zoo, Regents Park. Tickets £12.50. Contact Councillor Mrs Ena Summers. Tel. 445 5495.

## LATE ENTRIES

**Tuesdays**  
\*Spark Community Social Club (for anyone who has had a stroke), Watling Community Centre, Orange Hill Road, Burnt Oak. 7 pm. (952 3322).

**Fridays**  
\*Siddha Meditation — Satsangs Sparrowhawk, Glengall Road, Glengall. 7.45 pm. (446 1650).

**Wednesday March 17**  
Small Landlords Association (NW London). Surgery and meeting. Guest speakers: Brent Council's Housing Officers. 166 Station Road, Hendon. 8 pm. (202 9269).

**Thursday March 25**  
Jewish Society for the Mentally Handicapped. 140 Wembley Hill Road, Wembley. 8.15 pm. (954 0257).

**Friday March 26**  
Watling Community Association AGM, Watling Centre, 145 Orange Hill Road, Watling, Edgware. 8 pm. (959 1373).

**Saturday April 3**  
Barnet Horticultural Society Spring Show, Ewen Hall, Wood Street, Barnet. 2.30 pm (440 5953)

**Sunday April 4**  
Mill Hill Jewish Youth Club Adult Management Committee jumble sale, the Warren Hall, The Sparrowhawk, Glenhall Road, Edgware. 10.30 am. Admission 10p. (959 2851).

**Tuesday April 6**  
Osidge Young Wives Group Brunswick Park Road Health Centre, N11. 8 pm. (368 3370)

## Life's old sweet song

LEONARD TRIMEN, a member of the Meritage Club, Hendon, has recently published a book of poetry called 'Verses from an Old Man' and the subjects he writes of have a very strong local connection.

The club merits several mentions and demonstrates Mr. Trimen's use of the double-rhyme line to advantage:

*The Meritage is no mean club  
And every member in it,  
Now fully blown with outlook  
grown  
enjoying every minute.*

The Dustmen have their mention, both in sorrow and in anger, while Rose, his home help, gains a halo and is 'wholesome sweet and sound'.

The book is published by Varage Press Inc of New York, price \$5.95. But a note to Mr. Trimen at the Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon, NW4, would produce a British source of supply.

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**Sunday, March 14**  
Mill Hill Toc H Music Club, Civic Hall, Borehamwood. Stuttgart Piano Trio. 7.45 pm (953 1173/953 9872).

**Monday March 15**  
Hendon (St. Mary's) Music Society, Central Library, The Burroughs. 'Music and Dance' by Noel Goodwin. 8 pm (959 1257).

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

\*Barnet Orchestra at Hendon, Whitefield School, Claremont Road, Cricklewood. 7.45 pm (205 2418).

\*Tudor Orchestra, East Finchley Methodist Church Hall, High Road, Finchley, N2. 7.45 pm.

**Tuesday March 16**  
East Barnet Library Gramophone Society, 85 Brookhill Road, East Barnet. A composer of our time. 8 pm (440 4376).

\*Finchley Chamber Choir, Finchley Methodist Church, Ballards Lane, Church End, Finchley. 8 pm (959 2681).

\*Hendon String Orchestra, Whitefield School, Claremont Road, Cricklewood. 7.45 pm.

Apollo Singers, Hendon's Male Voice Choir, Grahame Park School, Corner Mead, Colindale. 7.45 pm. New members welcome. (959 1244)

# Music in Barnet

**Wednesday March 17**  
\*Barnet and District Choral Society, Wesley Hall, Methodist Church, High Street, Barnet. 7.45 pm (368 5897 or 440 1157).

**Thursday March 18**  
Friern Barnet Library Gramophone Society, Friern Barnet Road. Russian composers. 8.10 pm (368 2680).

\*Finchley Chamber Orchestra, Moss Hall Junior School, Finchley, N3. 7.30 pm.

**Saturday March 20**  
Barnet Parish Church Recitals. Oboe Recital by Jillian Streeter. 7.30 pm. Admission £1 (70p OAPs/children) (449 7760).

Edgware WIZO presents Anna Tzelnicker's Yiddish Theatre Group in an evening of Jewish song and humour, Edgware Reform Synagogue Hall, Stonegrove, Edgware. 7.30 pm (958 8119).

**Tuesday March 23**  
Hendon Library Gramophone Society, The Burroughs. Poulenc and Faure. 7.30 pm (202 5625).

**March 23 to 27**  
Choroedrama presents Andrew Morton's 'Bye Bye Birdie', Intimate Theatre, Green Lanes, Palmers Green. 7.45 pm (886 3798).

**Saturday March 27**  
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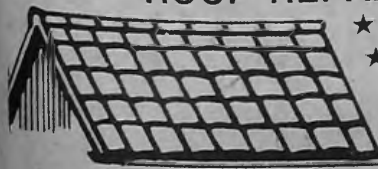
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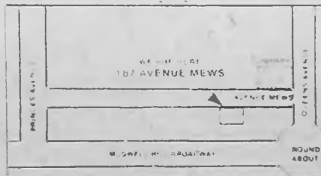
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# A taste of work the YOPS way

A group of unemployed young people are gaining work experience on a series of projects from gardening and house decorating to social work and administration through a scheme sponsored by the Diocese of St. Albans and financed by the Manpower Services Commission.

Their base is an office at the back of the Methodist Church, High Street, Barnet but the young men and women on the scheme are working at The Old Bull Centre, in almshouses, on Greenbelt countryside and residential homes for disabled people.

It's a YOPS project — the Youth Opportunities Scheme — and therefore the accent is on training as well as work experience, so Barnet College is also involved.

Sean Wilson, who manages the project, explained the idea behind the scheme to Civic News:

'With the unemployment situation as it is youngsters find it very difficult when they go after a job if they have nothing to show prospective employers.

'If they have taken part in a work experience scheme they have the edge on anyone who has just spent their time on the dole doing nothing.

'Our scheme sets out to give them experience in work which will be useful in the future. We want to make sure that they are ready and prepared when the job opportunities do come.'

The scheme is planned for two groups of five young people working with an instructor/leader, and for individual placements in community service projects.

Jacki Donaldson is the plac-



Dave, Brian and Chris get a lesson in gardening from John Turp (right) at Byford House, Bells Hill, Barnet.

ings supervisor and she has arranged for a girl to work in the Marie Foster Home for MS sufferers in Barnet, learning the duties of a care assistant. The girl hopes to make a career in Social Services and this experience will stand her in good stead when a vacancy comes.

Another girl is gaining office experience at the Old Bull Centre and another with the Red Cross.

John Turp, who has extensive experience in horticulture both at Kew Gardens and in municipal parks departments, is training a group of young men in gardening and countryside management.

They have worked on undergrowth clearance with the Countryside Commission at Scratchwood, helped on a tidying-up scheme in Bells Hill cemetery and are now working on the gardens of almshouses in the Barnet area.

Tom Sampson, an experienced builder is leading another gang on a decoration project at the Old Bull Arts Centre.

Every Monday is spent in classes or on project work with Barnet College, underlining the training aspects of the job.

'We have set projects and also a flexible approach. The idea is that we listen to the youngsters, see what they want to do as a

career and then we seek out placements which would be relevant to that type of work,' Sean Wilson explained.

The project is limited to 20 people but there are a few vacancies so if anyone in the borough aged between 16 and 19 who has left full-time education and is unemployed would like more details they should call at the office. The entrance is from Stapylton Road car park just behind the High Street and can be reached from a passage running down the left side of the Methodist Church.

Students on the scheme are paid £25 a week from the Manpower Services Commission.

## CIVIC NEWS SQUASH FINALS

THE SEMI-FINALS and finals of the Barnet Civic News Squash Tournament will be played at Oakleigh Park Lawn Tennis and Squash Club, Oakleigh Road North, Whetstone, on Friday and Saturday, April 2 and 3. Play will start at 7.30 each evening.

There was a good response to this first-ever borough-wide squash tournament for the men's open, veterans' and ladies' open competitions, more than 150 entries being received from players belonging to 10 different clubs. The men's open, as expected, attracted most entries. The three competitions were open to all who live or work in the Borough of Barnet and to members of local squash clubs.

From the comments received,

the players have enjoyed the opportunity to test their ability and stamina against opponents from clubs other than their own and the matches in each round have been played in a strongly competitive but friendly spirit.

As announced in the September issue of Civic News, there are prizes and trophies to be won. Prizes have been donated by William Sports of 366 Ballards Lane, Tally Ho Corner, North Finchley, and the trophies by the publishers of this magazine, Laurence Marshall (Advertisers) Ltd., Publicity House, 12 Genotin Terrace, Enfield.

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The trophies and prizes will be presented by the Leader of Barnet Council, Councillor Leslie Pym, a keen sports enthusiast.

A report on the finals will appear in the May issue of Civic News together with a photograph.

As this first borough-wide competition has proved a success, the organisers plan to make it an annual event. It is hoped that the 1982/83 tournament, details of which will be announced in Civic News later this year, will attract even greater support.

## OPEN DAY AT HENDON COLLEGE

AN OPEN invitation to young people and their parents has been issued by Hendon College, The Burroughs, Hendon, to come and see the courses and activities which will be available when the new Autumn Term starts in September. The Technology Section started the idea and now other departments have joined in, so Hendon will be displaying the work of students on engineering, metal and wood courses, the bakery course and many other aspects of further education.

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It is written by Fred Davis, a local headmaster, who traces the passage through Finchley of the de Basings, de Hadstokes, the Fraunceys and the Hastings, the Comptons and the Breretons whose rise and fall from favour are woven into the tapestry of history through the reigns of the Plantagenets and Tudors.

This book is the second in a series of books on local history and reveals a

# Finchley Manor: influential families

by Fred Davis



long chain of occupation of Finchley Manor from 1244 when Ricardus de Finchley, Dean of St. Paul's, sold the Manor to the Mayor of London, to the present day when it was sold by a Roman Catholic Order to the Manor House Trustees who plan to use the building for a Jewish junior school, sheltered housing and offices of the Reform Synagogue of Great Britain.

The Manor House, still essentially a Georgian house dating from 1723, is protected as a listed building. In its

grounds are traces of the moat which surrounded the earlier manor house and in its fabric and in the story of the long line of owners and tenants bound 750 years of Finchley's history.

This pleasantly illustrated booklet with its photographs and woodcut prints is on sale at local libraries, Church Farm House Museum, or from the Special Services Section of the Borough Library Service at Ravensfield House, The Burroughs, Hendon, NW4. Price, 50p.

## Wednesday is Minders' Day

BARNET'S childminders, the mums and housewives who look after other women's children while they are at work or in hospital, are taking part in an eleven-week course organised by Barnet Council's Social Services Department.

This is the first time such a course has been run in Barnet and it is hoped that further courses will be held so that all registered child minders in the borough can take part.

The sessions include play ideas, accident prevention, toy making, ethnic culture, diet and contracts.

While the mums take part in the course a playgroup creche is being run for their children.

At the end of the course, the Mayor, Councillor Mrs Rosa Freedman, will join the child minders at a party and present them with certificates. (2 pm March 31.)

The Course is being held at

Montague Road Adult Education Centre, Hendon, from 10 am to 12 noon and from 1 pm to 3 pm every Wednesday until March 31. The course tutor is Kay Millar.

### CONTACT

Further information on the child minder service and courses planned can be obtained from Deb Lowenson, Social Services Area Team, Sentinel Square, Hendon. Tel: 203 5233.

## CASH OFFICES' HOURS CHANGED

FROM APRIL 1 there will be changes in the opening hours of the two district cash offices of the Borough Treasurer's Department at Wood Street, Chipping Barnet and King Edward Hall, Finchley.

Wood Street office will open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and King Edward Hall on

Tuesdays and Thursdays. The opening hours will be 9.15 am to 4.30 pm.

The number of transactions at the main office at the Town Hall, Hendon, was 85,311 during 1981/82 compared with 15,385 at Wood Street and 14,976 at King Edward Hall. The Council's Finance Com-

mittee decided that although the number of transactions at the district offices justified the maintenance of cash receipt facilities, the number of days each office opened should be restricted.

The main office at Hendon will remain open from Monday to Friday, 9.15 am to 4.30 pm.

## Red Cross course

AN ENTIRELY new style course in Basic Nursing skills starts at the Hendon Centre of the British Red Cross Society on Monday, March 15, at 7.30 pm.

At the end of this course there is no examination. The course, covering five Monday evenings, is designed for members of the public who wish to develop an understanding of the needs of the sick, including the elderly and handicapped.

The Basic nursing voucher will be awarded to those who have attended all five evenings and have been assessed as having successfully participated in the course by the Nursing Sister.

The Standard Course, which starts on May 17, develops the skills required to give help as a voluntary aide in hospitals or welfare stations.

The cost of the Basic Course, excluding text book, is £6.50. Enrolment is open to all over 16 years. For details and enrolment please contact The Centre, Downage, Hendon, Tel. 203 1654 or the organiser on 0567.

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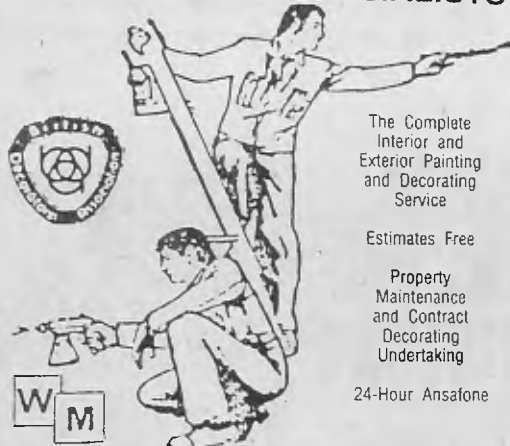
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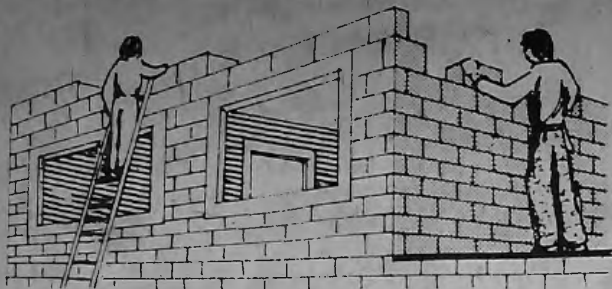
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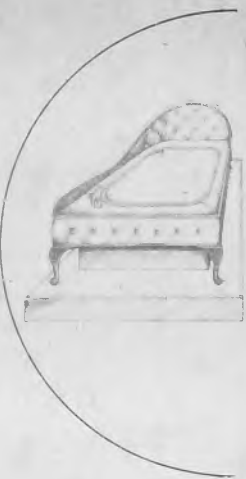
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