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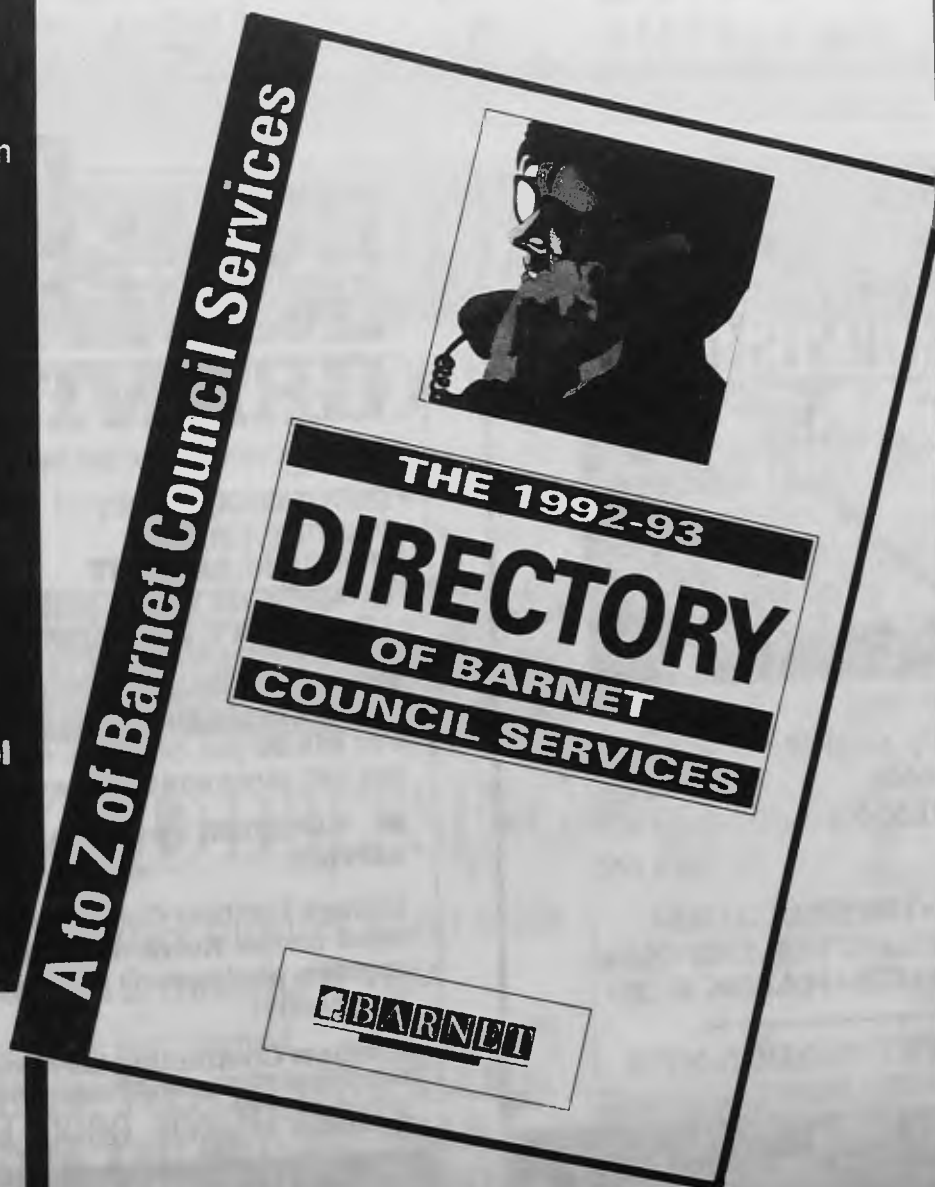
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# WELCOME

Welcome to the Autumn edition of Barnet News, Barnet Council's quarterly news magazine. As well as the usual interesting features about the authority's activities, you should have received another publication with this quarter's issue, namely the A to Z Directory of Council Services.

The A to Z Directory is designed to show in an easy-to-understand way exactly what Barnet Council does for you, the residents of this borough. Everything is covered, from Abandoned Vehicles to Zebra Crossings, and all the addresses and phone numbers you will ever need to get in contact with us are listed. Remember to keep it somewhere handy - you never know when you might need the services of the council.

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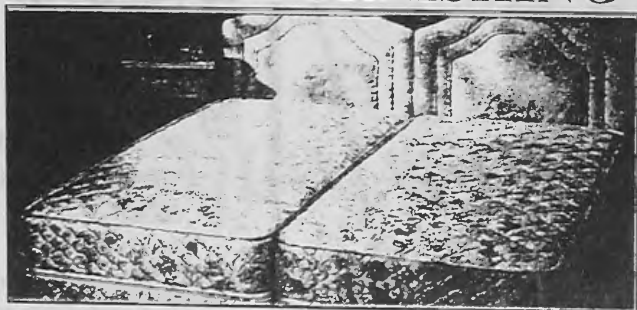
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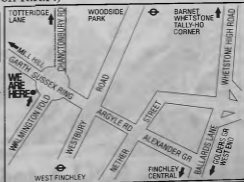
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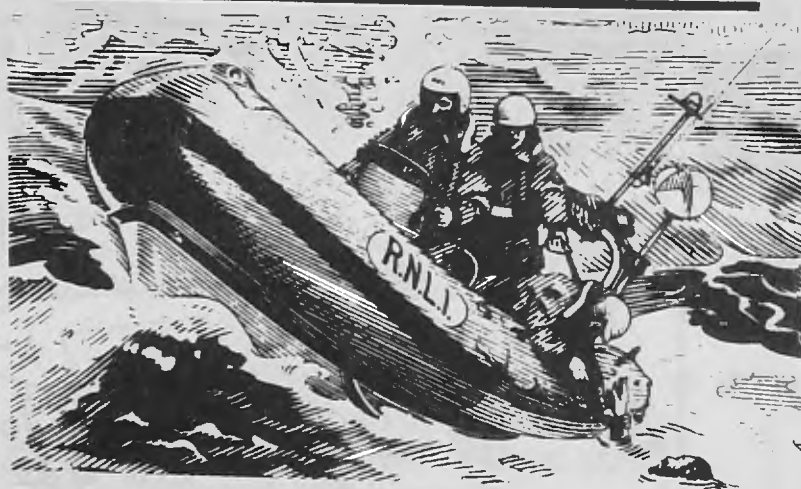
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# The Norman conquest



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The foot-sore couple are yomping from John O'Groats to Land's End before embarking on an extended trek around Australia and New Zealand.

But the school they are raising funds for is not even in Barnet, it is the Swaylands Study Centre in Kent. Barnet children with special needs are given breaks and intensive teaching at the school, which also takes pupils from other boroughs.

Ian and Wendy, who are both teachers at the school, thought they would try something ambitious in a year's sabbatical.

"We have gone on long walks before, but nothing like this," said Ian.

The pair will be meeting The Mayor of Barnet, Cllr Fred Poole, when they have completed their odyssey, probably in October.

## A local group to face local issues

### THE PROBLEMS CAUSED BY ACID HOUSE PARTIES IN THE BOROUGH OF BARNET . . . . . FOOTBALL CROWD CONTROL . . . . . DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE .

These are just a few of the headline issues discussed in the past two years by the Barnet Police and Community Consultative Group, formed six years ago to provide a two-way street along which the view of the community flow towards the police and its senior officers and they, in return, provide an opportunity for the people of Barnet to gain a better understanding of the issues surrounding policing in the borough.

The group, actively supported by ethnic minorities, is an independent body set up to provide a consultative link between the

public and the police. It discusses crime statistics and incidents, neighbourhood watch, school crossing patrols and domestic violence.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the four or so meetings each year. At the end of each meeting there is a half-hour questions and answer session in which you can put questions to the three Borough Chief Superintendents.

There are 35 members of the group which include members of Barnet Council, the Chief Superintendents of Barnet,

representatives of West Hendon and Golders Green Police and Barnet Racial Equality Council, the Barnet Joint Chambers of Commerce, Barnet Borough Voluntary Service Council and the Barnet Borough Conference of Voluntary Youth Organisations. Religious groups and advice and support groups are also represented.

The next meetings of the group will be held at The Town Hall, The Burroughs, Hendon and are scheduled for 10 September, 12 November, and next year on 11 February and 15 April.

**A copy of the agenda can be obtained from the Secretary, Barnet Police and Community Consultative Group, c/o The Town Hall, The Burroughs, Hendon, NW4 4BG. Tel: 081 202 8282 ext.2019.**

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Other highlights include top jazz from veteran sax player John Barnes, historical drama from Public Parts and Umoja

Theatre Company, farce by Alan Ayckbourn, specially devised theatre from Quinta Youth Theatre and also colourful dance from all around the globe with Kathkali, Union and Irie.



Junor & Parker, 12th October

## Up-lifting events

ALL these events in the main theatre are now fully accessible as the new lift to the first floor is in full operation. This is the first phase of a major development programme which will make the whole building totally accessible and build a major art gallery for the Borough. We will shortly be announcing a Gala Event to celebrate the new lift and launch the second phase of the campaign. Donations and fundraising suggestions are most welcome.

The Centre's existing gallery will be busy with a season of exhibitions, focusing on local

visual arts activity.

Local Special School children present an exhibition of self-portraits in conjunction with CRAB: adults with learning difficulties devise a changing environment with the Mix; and two established local artists present their latest work.

Not forgetting Afternoon Arts for the over 55's, and our regular children's theatre every Sunday at 3pm — plus an extensive range of courses and classes from contemporary dance to puppet and mask making — there really is something for everyone!

## 57 varieties . . .

THIS packed programme of no less than 57 events all leads up to this year's Christmas show extravaganza **BEAUTY AND THE BEAST**.

If you haven't already got hold of a free copy of the new look brochure with full details of all the events at the Old Bull Arts Centre this Autumn, simply phone the Box

Office on (081) 449 0048. You can also join the free mailing list — or you can become a member and receive generous discounts on all your visits. If you have any comments or suggestions (praise particularly welcome) then please write to: The Director, The Old Bull Arts Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet, Herts, EN5 5SJ.

## Home Focus: MAKE A BETTER BATHROOM

We are now putting as much imagination into our bathrooms as other rooms in our homes.

From sunken baths and exotic plants to hi-tech chrome and bidets - the choice has never been so great. Although soaking in the bath gives us all great pleasure, research shows that more people are taking showers than ever before.

A bath uses some 90 litres of water compared with 30 litres for a shower, but showers do generate more steam and condensation. It's the warm, moist air which can cause problems for wallcoverings - even the best quality wallpapers can be prone to lifting and to mould growth in the joins.

Decorators are therefore limited to tiles or good quality paint. There is a growing trend in some areas to revert to white suites. Since white will work satisfactorily with almost any colour, its use facilitates a wide choice of paint and furnishing colours.

Chilly bathrooms need a warm tone to create a cosier atmosphere, so choose colours in the red, pink, orange and orange-yellow range.

It should not be difficult for the average DIY enthusiast to fit a separate shower cubicle if there's room - the colours and glass patterns are designed to blend with modern colour schemes. Of course, with a smaller bathroom, an over-bath shower is even simpler.

If you are planning to redecorate on old bathroom you can improve the appearance by boxing in the bath and pipework, or by putting a cupboard around your hot water tank, using a louvred doors for ventilation. Flush ring pulls are good on doors in confined places as they don't stick out and cause unnecessary bruises. Lighting is important. You need a good general light, and also a direct light for shaving or make up.

Acrylic mirror glass - plain or tinted - won't mist up when the atmosphere gets steamy. One method of keeping the moisture level down is to install an extractor fan, or invest in a dehumidifier.

Most important, if you are going to redecorate or rearrange your bathroom do plan before-hand.

Decorating Tips: When painting a bathroom ensure it is completely dry and that the paint is dry before you use the bath or shower. If you are painting on top of gloss or eggshell, rub down with 'wet and dry.' Get rid of mould with some household bleach.

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The candlelit restaurant seats approximately 20 diners and is tastefully furnished to create an intimate atmosphere.

However, it is for the food that you should come and a word of warning here: if you're coming for dinner, don't eat lunch!

For starters there's an assortment of Turkish dishes. I found the best of these to be a dish called Borek, small pastry tubes or triangles filled with either minced lamb or cheese and parsley.

For a main course try the Kings Mixed Special, an extravaganza for meat lovers which includes more than a little of everything.

Kings Restaurant incorporates a fully stocked bar with a range of beers and spirits including a very nice Turkish beer, Efes. The wine list is good, too, with over a dozen different bottles including several genuine Turkish wines that are well worth a try.

Prices are reasonable here and the restaurant can cater for outside functions if required.

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## Don't lose your right to vote

Over the past few years there has been a noticeable drop in the number of Registered Electors and steps are being taken to ensure, as far as possible, that everyone who is eligible to vote is included in the next register being prepared now.

The drop in number may be partly due to the fact that people tend to assume that if they supply information for Community Charge (Poll Tax) or the census or were registered as electors last year (and perhaps for many years) they will automatically be included in the next register. This is not true - the new register is compiled using information supplied by you, showing the position at 10 October 1992.

The statutory procedure involves publication of a draft register on 28 November which you should inspect to

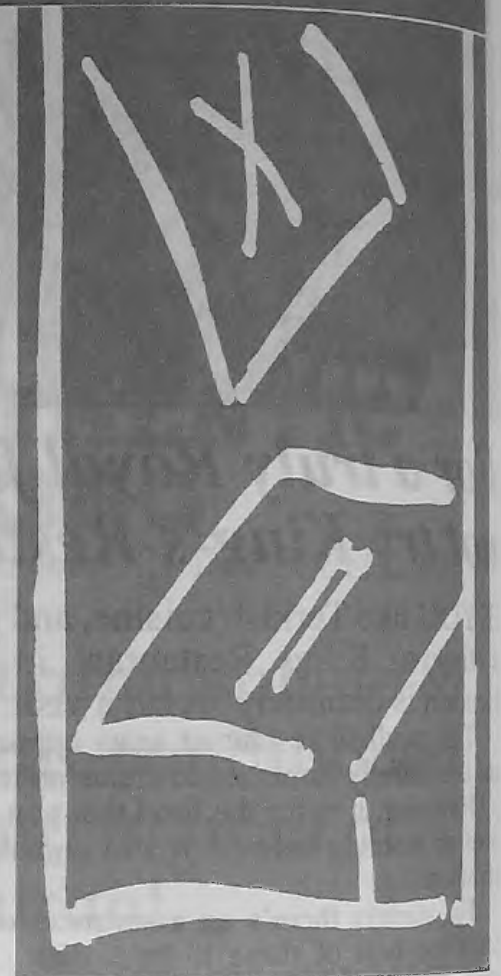
ensure that you will be correctly registered.

Copies will be made available at all Citizens Advice Bureaux, Barnet Council Libraries, and other Council Offices for this purpose.

A number of people found that they were unable to vote in the General Election in April because they had not checked the draft register. It is too late to be added once an election is called.

The register should include everyone who is eligible and who will be 18 or over by 15 February 1994 as the right to vote arises on their 18th Birthday. Supplying the information promptly will minimise the cost of producing the register. So there is no need to wait until 10 October.

Take the Home Office advice - Don't get mad, get a little cross!!



## NEW ERA FOR C.A.B.

The Mayor of Barnet, Cllr Fred Poole, formally opens the new Hendon Citizens Advice Bureau at 40/42 Church End, Hendon.

With The Mayor are the three managers of the new combined CAB (l to r) Ellen Riem, Melodie Simons and Leonie Stephen.

After 25 years in temporary premises in West Hendon Broadway a new era has begun for the Barnet Citizens Advice Bureaux service thanks to the financial and practical help of Barnet Council.

Grants and assistance from the authority, which were matched by contributions from the National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux and other charitable organisations, have enabled the CAB to combine the West Hendon bureau and the Bell Lane bureau in new premises in Church End near The Town Hall.

The bureau, which has five interview rooms and disabled access, was officially opened on Monday 10 August by The Mayor, Cllr Fred Poole.

# HELPING YOU TO GET THE BEST FROM YOUR LOCAL AUTHORITY

Everyone at Barnet Council is working hard to make you, the people who live in the borough, get the very best of the many services we provide.

These services are outlined fully in the A to Z guide you will have received with this copy of the Barnet News.

Nevertheless, despite our best efforts, sometimes people have a grievance or feel they have been poorly treated by the council or council officers.

When this happens, we want people to make their views known and Barnet has instigated a new complaints system to ensure every problem is investigated and adequately resolved.

## How to complain

In the first instance, any resident or customer who has a complaint should always take it to the office, depot, school or wherever the grievance arises from. The matter will be investigated and a response will be made within 15 days, either by letter or telephone or personal visit.

If you not happy with what the Council says, you can then contact your Customer Liaison Officer. Each department of the Council has an officer with special responsibility for complaints whose job it is to look into such matters. The department which you have complained about will give you the name of the relevant Customer Liaison Officer or look it up in the A-Z guide. That officer has 15 days to respond to you.

It may be that you are still unhappy with what you are being told. You then have the right to refer the matter to the Director of the department you are complaining about; the Customer Liaison Officer will tell you how to do this. The Director will only have 10 days to answer your query.

As a final appeal, if you still displeased with what you have been told, you can go to Max Caller, the Chief Executive of Barnet Council, who, again, will have 10 days to consider, and respond to, your complaint.

## Step by step

The complaint system has been designed carefully to ensure that your complaint is dealt with as quickly and as fairly as possible.

Please don't try to circumvent this process by writing directly to Mr Caller. The people who are able to deal best with your problem are those in the relevant department.

If you follow the procedure, we are confident that the matter will be thoroughly investigated and satisfactorily resolved.

## Planning to make examination easier

Barnet Council's planning group is set to centralise its Development Control offices at Barnet House in High Road, Whetstone to provide a more comprehensive service.

The planning group is also to introduce evening sessions at The Town Hall, Hendon, and Barnet House for people who want to examine planning applications but are unable to do so during the day.

Centralisation will take place during September - the exact date will be publicised at the time of the move.

The days and times of the evening sessions will also be made available when they have been finalised.

People wishing to get general advice on planning

applications can do so at any time during the day at Barnet House in Whetstone.

People requiring advice on specific applications are requested to make an appointment in advance so that an officer can look out the relevant plans.

The main advantage of centralisation is that it will allow greater day to day management control of the area offices.

It will reduce the duplication of administrative tasks which currently take place at the area offices.

It will also enable speedier communications between Barnet council officers who will all now be based on the same site.

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So if you would like further information, telephone Mrs Donnelly on 081-446 8511 ext 4745 or Mrs Harrison on ext 4718 or complete the attached slip and return to:

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## Joanne

is 20 years old and lives with her family. She needs a lot of care and help. She has no speech but a keen sense of humour. Joanne can walk short distances with supervision and prompting. Occasional respite at weekends in a loving environment would be very much appreciated by her family.

## Bharti


is 36 years old and lives with her widowed mother who has cared for her all her life. Bharti is physically able but needs help in all personal care and has very few communication skills -though she responds to people and loves music.

## Raman

is a 32 year old Sri Lankan man. He lives with his mother who is badly in need of an occasional break from caring for him. He uses a wheelchair and has epileptic fits. He has some speech but is a little difficult to understand and has to be helped with bathing and toileting.

All these people attend Day Centres during the week, and therefore weekends are the most difficult times for their families. If you cannot offer an overnight stay, care during the day would also be very much appreciated. A carer's allowance of approximately £200 per week would be paid on a pro-rata basis.

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# Home from Home for Centenarian

Joe, who celebrated his 100th birthday recently, has been living happily with Sylvia and her husband for the past 18 months. He is just one of the people who have reaped the benefit of Barnet's Adult Placement scheme.

Sylvia and her husband, Frank, have also celebrated a decade of being carers for elderly people who need that extra special help to look after themselves.

The caring couple also share their home and lives with two other elderly men. The three men pay a contribution towards their maintenance and a Carer's Allowance is paid by Barnet Council for the valuable work which people such as Sylvia and Frank do.

Sylvia has previously worked with older people in a residential setting but, like all Carers involved with the scheme, is supported by a Social Worker. Each of the

residents also have their own Social Worker to make sure their best interests are looked after.

The Barnet Adult Placement Scheme always needs more Carers such as Sylvia and Frank. In addition to those who look after older people, there is a great need for Carers who would be able to offer accommodation and care to people with learning difficulties. This might be care for a younger person who is attending a Day Centre during the week and who would enjoy living in a family setting.

During 1991/92 there were 15 long term Carers each providing a home from home and eight who provided family living on a short term basis. Some 13 clients spent a

total of 252 nights with short term Carers during that year and this helped families to have a break as well as giving someone experience of living away from home.

Great care is always taken to achieve the best match for clients and Carers, taking into account the needs and wishes of the client as well as the expectations and ability of the Carer. There are meetings three or four times a year with Carers and regular contact in between.

If anyone is interested in the scheme, they should contact Jane Sandham or Eva Frean at Barnet Adult Placement, Park House, 16 High Road, N2 9PJ. Tel: 081-444 4411.

## WORKING WITH YOU

That's the slogan adopted for the 12-month Care Management Pilot Project which has just been launched by Barnet Council's Community Services department to look at needs assessment and care management.

Funded jointly by Barnet Council and Barnet Health Authority, the £188,400 project will involve piloting an innovative 'needs led' approach to care planning and purchasing services. The project has been designed to meet the new requirements set out in the NHS and Community Care Act.

During the next twelve months, the scheme will develop an agreed health and local authority system for needs assessment and will test a method of delivering care

specifically tailored to individual needs rather than one based simply on existing services.

"Making services genuinely 'needs led' demands a fundamentally different approach and this is what the pilot project is all about", explained Project Manager Peter Dunn from Barnet Council Community Services.

"It involves an imaginative new way of finding and providing services for the people who need them - five care managers will be given a budget to purchase services from the local authority, NHS providers and private and voluntary organisations, whichever best meets the needs of the client", he added.

The care managers - two for elderly people, one for people with physical disabilities, one for people with mental health problems and one for people with learning difficulties - will have a caseload of 12 people, smaller than if the system was actually adopted, so that they have time for research.

"We have never before devolved budgets to staff working in the field in Barnet and it is a fairly new concept in the country as a whole", Mr Dunn said,

"If successful, we hope that the pilot project will show that the care managers can choose the best services for individual clients and that clients are given a greater say in their care".

# FLOWER POW

In the second year of the council's Barnet in Bloom contest, local gardeners have worked hard to put on a stunning display of colour across the borough. And the high standard of entries made Barnet the focus of the London in Bloom competition in July. The London judges remarked on the quality of the displays in the borough, compared to other areas they had visited.

## Container gardening

The container gardening contest was sponsored this year by the J D Wetherspoon Organisation. Ray Martin, a director of Wetherspoon's, visited the top entries to choose the winners. Ray said, "I was delighted to judge the competition, and constantly amazed at the wonderful displays which residents plant for the benefit of passers-by." The winner, Melvin Soer, took up gardening only two years ago as a hobby and never expected recognition for his efforts. Passers-by at his home in Whitings Road, Barnet, saw him tending his blooms every morning and encouraged him to enter the contest. Melvin received an engraved crystal vase and a garden bench of his own choice at a presentation by The Mayor, Cllr Fred Poole. Runners-up were Mrs Pratt of Sussex Ring, Woodside Park, and Mrs Rudge of Pennine Drive, Cricklewood. Five other contestants were highly commended: Mrs De Bond, Berkeley Crescent, New Barnet; Mr & Mrs Marshall of Garden City, Edgware; Mrs Robbins of Midford House, Hendon; Mr & Mrs Gilding



*Above: Winner Melvin Soer receives his certificate from The Mayor of Barnet, Cllr Fred Poole. Behind them are The Mayoress, Mrs Phyll Poole and Keith Lunn, Retail Director of J D Weatherspoon.*

*Right: In amongst the blooms.*

of Millbridge, Dollis Valley Way; Mr Jayes of Crispin Road, Edgware.



*Brian & Kay Duff of the King Will*  
**Best Bloomin' P**  
 Publicans responded to the challenge of Barnet in Bloom with enthusiasm, and a number of licensees planted or tended the plants themselves when they were busy pulling pints. This year were Brian & Kay Duff of the King Will in Hadley Highstone. Mr & Mrs Duff redesigned the front of their pub to give it a continental feel and they maintain themselves. The judge for this contest was Jenny Marshall, Chairman of the Hampstead Horticultural Society. She said "It was a close contest. The reason the

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William IV, winners of the pub competition

William IV won through was that the flowers have been very carefully selected to give a particular effect." At a presentation outside the pub, Mr & Mrs Duff received an engraved crystal vase and chose a lawn spreader for their back garden as their other prize. Runners-up were the Sebright Arms, Alston Road Barnet, Claddagh Ring, Church Road Hendon, and the Railway Bell, East Barnet Road. Commendations went to the Lord Kitchener, East Barnet Road; Rising Sun, Marsh Lane Mill Hill; and the Moon Under Water, Varley Parade, Colindale.

# Staples Corner Reconstruction

A £3m programme of repair work on the bomb-damaged A5 flyover at Staples Corner is set to start early next year with a view to the junction being fully open again by Autumn 1993.

Design works are about to commence, once that has been done the Department of Transport will tender for a contractor to carry out the work, which is likely to begin early next year.

The flyover was damaged when a bomb, later found to have been planted by the IRA, exploded at the junction in the early hours of Saturday, 11 April.

Barnet Council's Highway and Bridge Engineers were amongst the first on the scene and earned high praise from the Department of Transport for the speed with which they put emergency traffic systems in place and opened main routes to vehicles.

Cllr Don Goodman, Chairman of the Public Works Committee said: "Barnet's engineers responded quickly and effectively to the bombing at Staples Corner.

"It is good to see that work will begin early next year, avoiding

unnecessary traffic congestion in the Brent Cross area over Christmas," he said.

Principal Engineer, Gana Natkunan said: "The work will be done by an outside contractor because it is of a very specialised nature and requires very specialised equipment." The work will consist of removing damaged concrete from two of the columns that support the flyover. The concrete which makes up the bottom slab will be removed by water jetting - the most effective way of carrying out the work without damaging the reinforcements. "The damaged concrete will be removed section by section, then replaced," he said.

During the time the work is taking place the council will be liaising over traffic management and council officers will make regular site visits to familiarise themselves with the repairs. Once the work has been done the council will take back control of inspection and maintenance at Staples Corner and all design and contract documents will be given to the council for reference.



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# Mounting interest in bike rally

*11 year old Daniel Graby gets ready for the off by practising at the Compton Centre in Summers Lane, Finchley. Daniel's mountain bike was supplied by Oscroft Bros. the cycle shop, Woodhouse Road, Friern Barnet.*

A great Mountain Bike rally is being held by Barnet Council's Youth Service on Sunday 25 October at the Moat Mount Campsite and Scratchwood Countryside Park.

This is a perfect opportunity for all those people who have the specialised bikes, but don't get a chance to use them in their proper context ..... in a gruelling cross-

country race. The rally is open to everybody over the age of eleven and there will be a number of categories so that it won't be too "gruelling" for the youngsters.

All proceeds from the event will go to the Friends of Moat Mount Campsite, a registered charity that is raising funds to build a permanent residential centre at the site, which is just off the A1.

The Youth Service is looking for as many people as possible to join in this exciting rally. Application forms are available from schools, youth clubs and libraries or you can cut out the coupon above and send it to **The Youth Service, Educational Services (Formerly Friern Barnet Town Hall), Friern Barnet Lane, London N11 3DL. 081-368 1255 Ext 3218.**

## Making it easier to stay in touch

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Barnet Council research shows that about 60,000 residents on the fringes of the borough are not receiving the correct directory.

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BT customers just need to call '150' for a residential directory or '152' for a business directory.

BT will also undertake to provide account holders who already have a Barnet directory

with a book providing coverage of a neighbouring area.

Again all you have to do is phone '150' to get the new directory, alternatively you can write to BT's London Phonebook Manager, Martin Stitson at BT Business Communications, Camelford House, 87 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TS.



## I-SPY WITH MY LITTLE EYE!

Libraries in the borough had a celebrity visitor last month when the Michelin Man turned up to promote the new 'I-Spy the London Borough of Barnet'.

The 48-page book is packed with fascinating questions and answers concerning the borough and is illustrated with 96 full colour photographs.

Aimed primarily at young people, the book should provide hours of challenging entertainment for only £1.95.

I-Spy the London Borough of Barnet is available at council libraries The Town Hall, Hendon, Educational Services (formerly Friern Barnet Town Hall), Barnet House, all WH Smith shops, Hammicks and other good book shops.

## More than just books!

Visitor's to borough libraries will soon be able to do more than simply collect the works of their favourite author thanks to the wide range of services that are coming to council libraries.

Shortly residents will be able to choose an entertaining or educational video, send a Fax, get photographs for their passport or travel pass, do colour photocopying and refresh themselves with cool drink whilst collecting their latest good read thanks to the new initiatives that are being introduced in selected borough libraries.

Canned drinks vending machines which stock a wide range of popular cans including mineral water and are already available in libraries throughout the borough.

Credit card controlled, self service Facsimile machines and public telephones are due to go into Golders Green library, Hendon library, Chipping Barnet library, East Barnet library and the Information Centre at the Town Hall, Hendon.

Videos for hire will be introduced at selected libraries across the borough over the next few months. The collections will be a mix of entertainment, educational videos and films for children.

"Providing videos is a natural extension to our current lending service and will attract more people to the libraries, more often," explained Martyn Kempson, Controller of Libraries, Arts and Museums.

The new initiatives have come about in response to research of library users conducted last year which showed amongst other things that nearly 40% of users would welcome refreshments and video hire and that 20% would like to see facsimile facilities.

The additional income generated from these activities is being ploughed back into library improvements particularly for people with disabilities.



## PASSPORT PHOTOGRAPH MACHINES

Library users in Hendon preparing to go away on holiday will be able to get their passport photographs at the same time as they take out their favourite books for the beach, thanks to a new Barnet Council initiative.

As well as a wide selection of holiday reading suitable for all ages Hendon library in The Burroughs can now offer a passport photograph machine for people looking to head abroad in search of the Summer sun.

Of course the machine will also prove useful to a whole range of other people including students needing photographs for membership cards and public transport users applying for bus passes.

The machine is situated in the fiction section through the first door to the left as you go in the main entrance to the library.

## Grants to Voluntary Organisations

**A**pplications are now being invited for the year beginning 1 April 1993 from voluntary organisations wishing to provide specific services to Barnet residents and who need financial assistance to do so.

**A**pplication forms may be obtained by telephoning the Grants Unit on 081-202 8282, extensions 2092 or 2020. Applications seeking £2,000 or more must be returned, properly completed, by Friday 16 October 1992. Requests for less than £2,000 may be submitted at any time after 31 December 1992 according to when the grant is required, but allowing approximately three months for a decision. Particular emphasis will be placed on small grants to help with 'start up' costs of new groups and projects, where a clear objective can be demonstrated.

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**O**rganisations whose service or activities cover the area of several London boroughs or London as a whole should apply to the London Boroughs Grants Unit which may be contacted on 081-891 5021.



# DEPUTY DOG

*Dog Warden Peter Rollings pictured with Pepsi. Pepsi was reclaimed by her owner.*

A new Barnet Council service has been established to round up stray dogs that have been left to roam the borough's streets. The council's Dog Warden Service has been up and running for just five months and is already proving very effective at cutting down the number of stray dogs in the borough.

The service was set up on 1 April 1992, to comply with the recently introduced Sections 149 and 150 of the Environmental Protection Act.

That act makes it an offence for owners to allow their pets to roam freely and become a potential nuisance to the general public.

The council now has two Dog Wardens, Geoff Fox and Peter Rollings, who are based at the refurbished kennels in Cool Oak Lane, West Hendon.

When the act was introduced Geoff Fox was already working as a Dog Warden on the council's housing estates. To comply with the new legislation he was given a borough-wide role and on 1 June 1992, Peter Rollings was employed to assist him.

## Detention

The Dog Wardens have two main roles. One is to round up and detain any dog that is found roaming free in a public place.

The other is to attempt, through education and advice, to encourage dog owners to look after their dogs in a responsible manner.

The wardens follow a strict procedure in rounding up strays. If the dog is wearing a collar and tag with an address on it the warden will attempt to return it immediately to its owner, in return for a £10 charge.

If the owner is not in at the time or there is no indication of who the owner is then the dog will be taken to the kennels and impounded.

The owner will then be liable to pay a charge of up to £75 to retrieve the dog, depending on the length of stay in the kennels. Dogs that are taken to the kennels

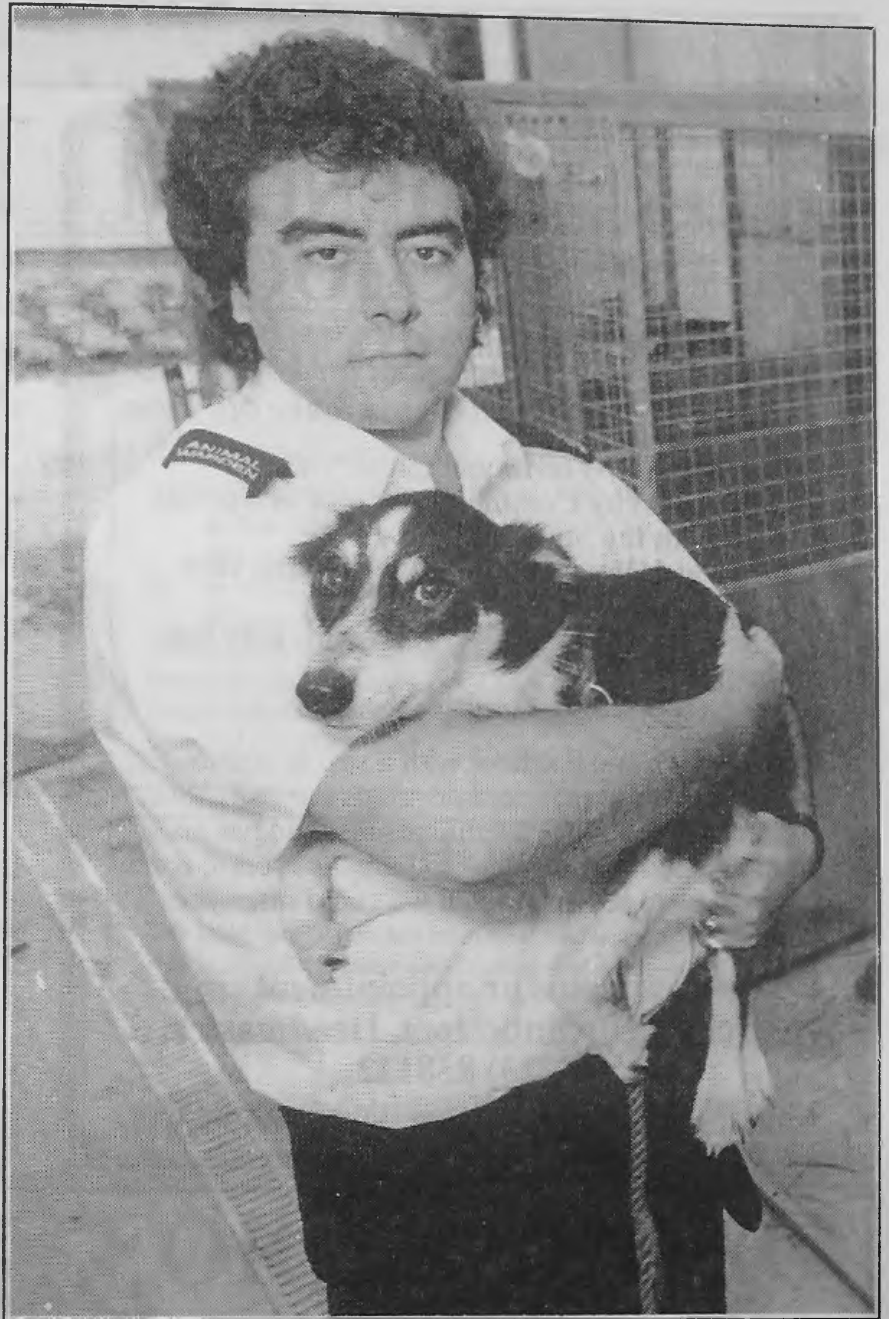
are photographed and logged in the record books before they are impounded.

Under the new legislation, after seven days the dog becomes council property. The dog wardens either try and provide the animal with a new home, find a reputable animal refuge or if neither of these are possible, have it humanely destroyed.

So far the wardens have not had to destroy any dogs at all. From 1 April to the beginning of August the wardens picked up 24 dogs, 12 of which went to Battersea Dogs Home, three were provided with new homes and nine were returned to their owners.

Peter Rollings said: "The most common situation we come across is that of the latch key dog, that is pets left to roam free during the day while the owner is at work, then taken in during the evening.

"The problem with latch key dogs is that they can become a nuisance, fouling in the street and joining larger packs of dogs worrying children and old people," he added.



Both wardens are clearly dog lovers and as Peter Rollings said, get great satisfaction in returning a pet to its owner.

Peter said: "Owners are always happy to get their dogs back. I think those who have gone through the process of recovering their pet once will be keen not to have to do so again."

The two Dog Wardens also take their educational role very seriously.

This involves teaching both adults and children the values of responsible dog ownership and takes the form of presenta-

tions to schools, libraries and local groups.

Peter said: "Educating young people in responsible dog ownership is one of the most important aspects of our work, we want children to pass on the information to their parents and obviously take the general principles on into their adult life when they may become pet owners themselves."

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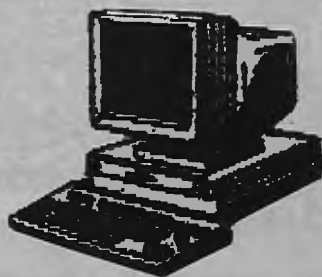
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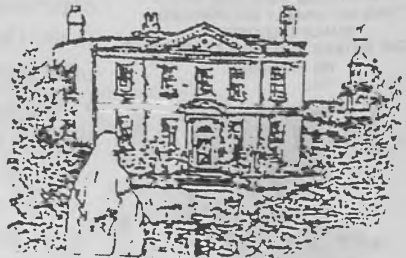
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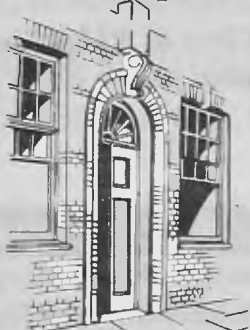
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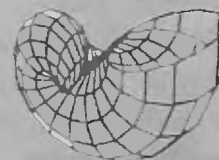
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# WORKING TOGETHER

Two examples of the council working in partnership with the voluntary and private sector



*Left - Haynes Close in N11, giving young professional people a foot on the housing ladder*

## HAYNES CLOSE N11

Young teachers will have help getting a roof over their heads with a housing project just opened in Brunswick Park.

The first occupants have just moved in to Haynes Close, Brunswick Crescent, N11, a development of flats built on the site of the former Haynes School.

After the school was closed, Barnet Council sold the three quarters of an acre site to joint buyers, a construction company and a housing association. Conditions were attached to the type of building to go up there.

The aim is to give young professional people, singles and couples, a foot on the housing ladder by selling them a flat on a shared ownership basis.

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The Sutherland Housing Association, part of Paddington Churches Housing Association, based in NW10, owns and runs the scheme. The developer is New Age Homes of Berkhamsted. The 30 flats, 24 one-bedroomed and 6 studio, are arranged into three blocks with a communal grass area between. Energy efficiency is a high priority in the design.

Barnet Council has the right to put forward possible buyers. Preference is given to teachers and other key workers, council employees, workers from other public sectors, for instance the health authority, and lastly people employed locally.

So far nine teachers, nine other key workers and six people on the housing waiting list have moved in.

## SHERRICK HOUSE, HENDON

A cosy semi-detached house in Church End, Hendon, is giving a vital break to families in the borough who care for people with a mental handicap or learning disability at home.

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The house was closed at the end of last year for a £70,000 facelift, paid for by Barnet Council. A further £10,000 was put in by Barnet MENCAP.

The refurbishment included two side extensions and has given better all-round access on the ground floor for people in wheelchairs with an open plan kitchen, dining room and specially adapted bathroom

The whole house has been attractively

redecorated in a welcoming style to create a home-like atmosphere.

The Council is now negotiating a service agreement with Barnet MENCAP regarding the amount of short-term care to be provided. This has put the partnership on a firmer footing and helps Barnet MENCAP with its financial planning.

New guests are given a gradual introduction to the house. "Some visitors who have never been away from home before may be really scared," says Miss Marie Leith, deputy home leader. They may come back for a few hours after their time at a day centre, just for supper. This may slowly be increased to a day at a weekend, before they stay overnight.

The break from home can also be an opportunity for new experiences - visitors are encouraged to do as much as they can for themselves - and perhaps try different kinds of food.

"Some guests may be 30 or 40 years old and their parents may be elderly, so it's not easy for them to get out and about or to try out new ideas," said Miss Leith.

The staff keep up a friendly relationship with their house guests after they return home, visiting them at their day centres around the borough.

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- Ivy House, 1331 High Road, Whetstone, N20
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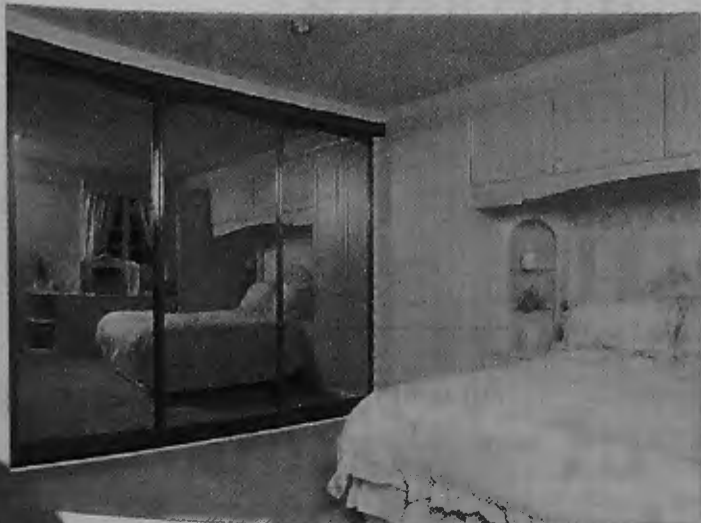
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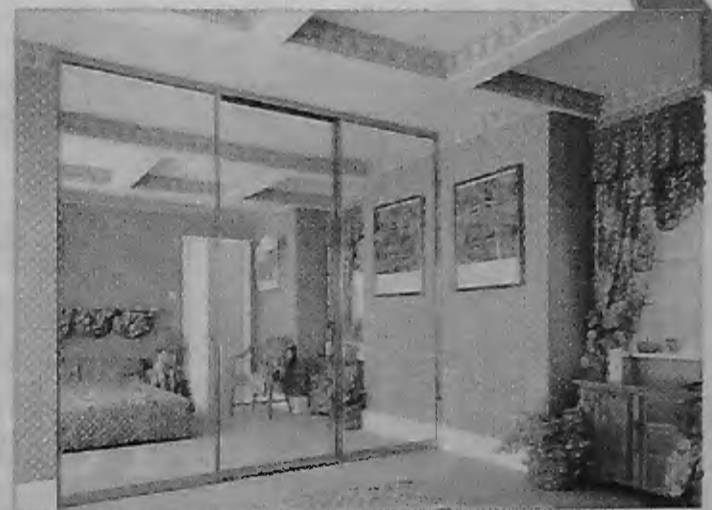
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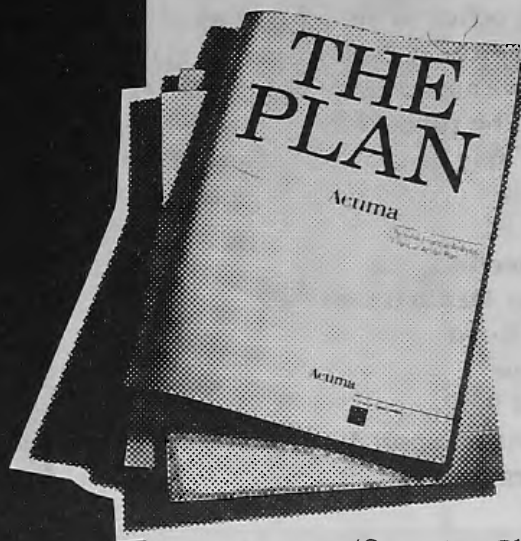
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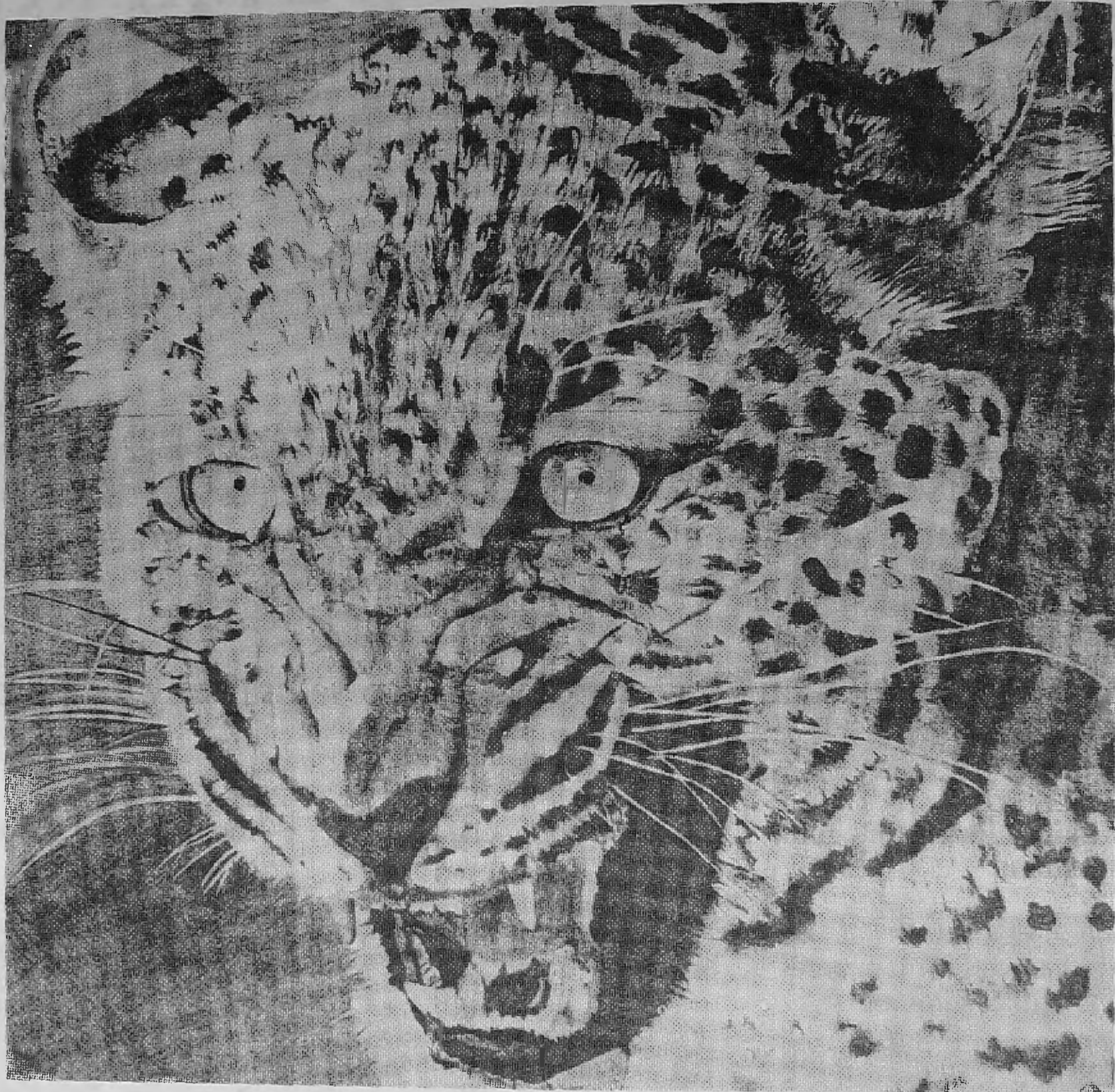
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**Brunswick Park Ward:** Conservative councillors available second Saturday of month, 10.30am-noon, Monkfrith Boys' Club hall, Osidge Lane, N14

**East Barnet Ward:** Cllr Olwen Evans (Conservative) available first Saturday of month, 10.30am-noon, Community Centre, Victoria Rd, New Barnet. Contact Cllr Jim Anani 445 3872 or Cllr John Perry 368 4368 for personal appointment

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## Finchley & Friern Barnet

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# Special guest opens new exhibition at Church Farmhouse

A very special guest attended the viewing of an exciting new exhibition at Barnet Council's Church Farmhouse Museum in Hendon in July and he had no problems finding his way there.

Andrew Dunlop, the last tenant farmer to live in the house in Greyhound Hill, graced the occasion in full Victorian attire - top hat, frock coat and drainpipe trousers.

Mr Dunlop lived in Church Farmhouse from 1870 until his death in 1904 and was the last working farmer to live there. The council later acquired the building in the mid 1940s.

As well as a farmer Mr Dunlop was also active in council affairs and a pillar of the local community.

Librarian Brian Marpole (pictured above right) donned full Victorian attire to play the part of tenant farmer Andrew Dunlop.

The evening also saw the opening of the museum shop with a range of books, postcards and prints about the locale on sale, as well as souvenirs of a visit to the house.

## A house and its families

The exhibition "Church Farm, Hendon: A House And Its Families" recreates the house as it looked during the Victorian era, complete with furnished 1820s kitchen and 1850s dining room.

It also looks at the lives of the many families who occupied the house and the lives of their servants and farm labourers, dating back to the origins of the building in the 17th century.

Church Farmhouse Museum is open all day Monday - Thursday, 10am-5pm, Saturday 10am-1pm and 2pm-5.30pm and Sunday 2pm-5.30pm. Why not come along? Admission is free.



*Tea time for librarians Sue Whorton and Brian Marpole at the exhibition opening*

## Make friends with a Museum today!

This unique 300 year-old building has been a local museum for nearly 40 years.

Help ensure its survival and development - join The Friends of Church Farmhouse Museum.

Inaugural Meeting: 8pm, Wednesday 21 October 1992 at Church House, Greyhound Hill, NW4.

Membership is open to individuals, families, schools, firms and organisations and will be by annual subscription (with concessions for under 18s, OAPs and UB40s). Business at the Inaugural Meeting will include consideration of a draft constitution, election of officers and discussion of future activities.

Further details from The Arts Office, Libraries, Arts & Museums, Educational Services (formerly Friern Barnet Town Hall) Friern Barnet Lane, London N11 3DL  
Tel: 081-368 1255 Ext 3153

## Pick up the pieces

A challenging 500 piece jigsaw of Church Farmhouse Museum is now available.

Costing only £3.95 the jigsaw makes an ideal gift and is available at the Museum itself, or through Barnet Council libraries.

# AUTUMN ARTS SCENE

## EAST BARNET LIBRARY RECORDED MUSIC SOCIETY

Meetings are held at East Barnet Library,  
85 Brookhill Road, East Barnet, Herts.  
EN4 8SG (081-440 4376)

Nearest buses: 84a, 307, 326

The society meets every fortnight from  
September to June on Tuesday evenings  
at 7.55 for 8.00. The annual subscription  
is £2. Programmes are presented by  
members and guest speakers.

Refreshments are available in the  
interval. Occasional visits are organised  
to concerts. Further details may be  
obtained from the Secretary, Mrs B.J.  
Redfern at East Barnet Library.

### 1992

22 September 99% Music, or Just sit and  
listen - Jack Graham

6 October - To Music - Audrey Low

20 October - 200 Years of American  
music - Barbara Wynne

3 November - Kathy Gilbert and the  
Music Makers

17 November - 'The Musician Abroad -  
Colin Page

1 December - Posy of English Songs -  
Sue Whorton and Suzanne Chadwick

15 December - Christmas Requests and  
Party

### 1993

5 January - Guess What? - Gladys Parrish  
Remainder of Programme to follow at a  
later date

## 17TH BARNET ARTISTS' EXHIBITION

open to all local artists, amateur and  
professional, who live, work or study  
in the borough. Entry forms  
available at all libraries from 15  
September or by post from The Arts  
Office, Educational Services  
(formerly Friern Barnet Town Hall),  
Friern Barnet Lane, London N11  
3DL, Tel. 081-368 1255, ext. 3153.  
Handing in days at North Finchley  
library are Friday 30 October and  
Saturday 31 October.

## FRIERN BARNET LIBRARY RECORDED MUSIC SOCIETY

Meetings are held at Friern Barnet  
Library, Friern Barnet Road, N11 3DS  
(081-368 2680). Nearest buses: 43, 134,  
221, 234

The Society meets fortnightly from  
September to June, on Thursday  
evenings, from 8.10 to 9.55.

Refreshments are available during the  
interval. The annual subscription is  
payable on the first attendance. Further  
details may be obtained from the Hon.  
Chairman, Mr D. Chamberlain, 86A  
Colney Hatch Lane, N10 1EA (081-444  
7215); the Hon. Secretary, Miss M.  
Hayes, 46 Friern Barnet Lane, N11 3LX.

### 1992

17 September Voices - Neville Jones,  
Chairman of Southgate Recorded Music  
Society

1 October - Music for the Harp - Dennis  
Marshall

15 October - The life and music of  
Herbert Howells: 17 October 1892 - 24

February 1983 - Tony Bralant

29 October - Exploring the piano  
concertos of Mozart

- M. van Blankenstein

12 November - The Composer as  
Performer - Anthony Cutbush

26 November - A Classical Pot-pourri -  
Brian Keane

10 December - Christmas Social

### 1993

7 January - Three Generations of the  
Goossens - Marie Smith

21 January - Other Works - Ken Brooks

4 February - "Saints and Sinners" - E.M.  
Hart

18 February - Pictures in Music - Lewis  
Jones

4 March - 200 years of the Teatro La  
Fenice - Alexander Bryett

18 March - Marching and waltzing - R.M.  
Bayfield

1 April - 1st or a Fool! - Derek  
Chamberlain

15 April - The Good Clarinetist - Ray  
Hirst

29 April - The French Connection -  
Leslie Simmons

13 May - Northern Landscapes - John  
Nicole

27 May - A programme presented by  
Ruth Hellen

10 June - Annual General Meeting and  
Members' Choice

## HENDON LIBRARY RECORDED MUSIC SOCIETY

Meetings are held at Hendon Library, The  
Burroughs, London NW4 4BQ (081-202  
5625). Nearest station: Hendon Central.

Nearest buses: 113, 143, 183, 186

The society meets fortnightly, from  
September to June, on Tuesday evenings  
at 7.30 for 7.45. The annual subscription  
is £2 (temporary membership 50p).

Programmes are presented by members  
and guest speakers. Refreshments are  
available during the interval. Further  
details may be obtained from the  
Secretary, Miss E.M. Hart at Hendon  
Library.

### 1992

15 September - "Make all our trumpets  
speak...those clamorous harbingers of  
blood and death" - Adrian Midgley

29 September - Impressions of Ravel -  
Jean Hitchon

3 October - "Nordic Sounds" (apologies  
to Nomus) - John Flowers

27 October - "Britain's brightest record  
label" - Ted Perry of Hyperion Records

10 November Bohemia revisited - Archie  
Preston

24 November - DCC: a musical  
presentation of the new Digital Compact  
Cassette - John Oakman of Audio T

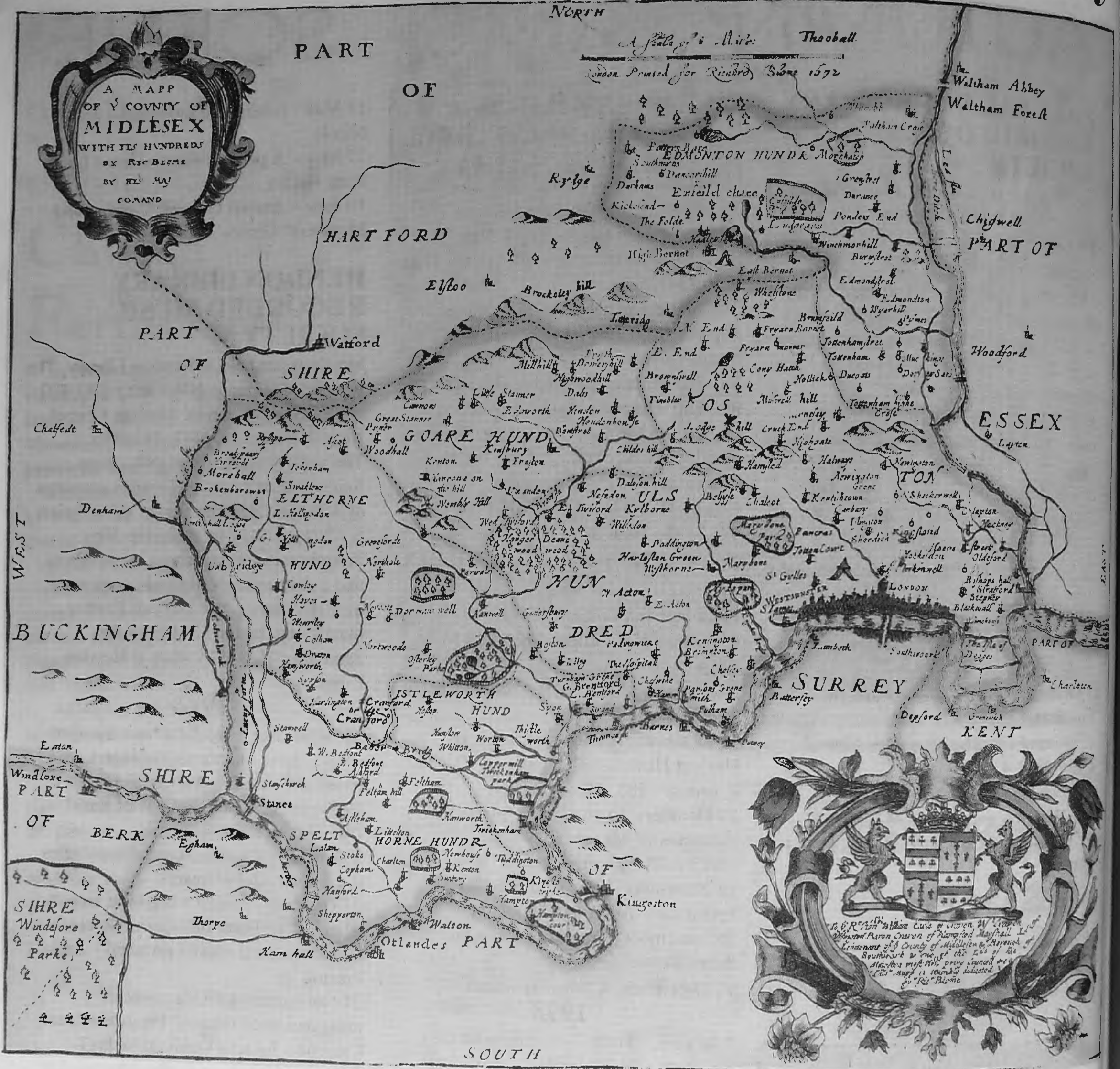
8 December - Music of the spheres - Liz  
Hart

22 December - Christmas Party

## CHURCH FARMHOUSE MUSEUM

Saturday 19 September and  
Sunday 20 September from 2.30-  
4.30pm. Demonstration of corn dolly  
making. Details of future  
demonstrations from Museum, Tel.  
081-203 0130.

Now available from your local library



# A Mapp of ye County of Middlesex with its Hundreds

A reproduction of the original, printed by Richard Blome, London, 1672

No roads are marked, but Hundreds (administrative divisions) are named. The Earl of Craven was Lord Lieutenant of the County of Middlesex, and his Coat-of-Arms and dedication are in a floral cartouche with tulip design.

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