

# Barnet CIVIC NEWS



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## First aid repairs to our roads



The snow and ice of December and January have caused extensive damage to the borough's roads. Barnet Council's Public Works Committee has already asked for an additional £200,000 over and above the budgeted figure to carry out repairs and 11 repair gangs, one of which is featured in this picture, are working throughout the borough on trunk and residential roads to carry out first aid repairs to make the roads safe. Many permanent repairs, however, will have to wait until the weather improves.

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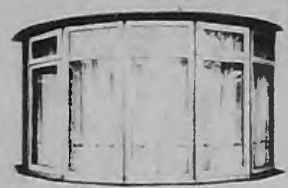
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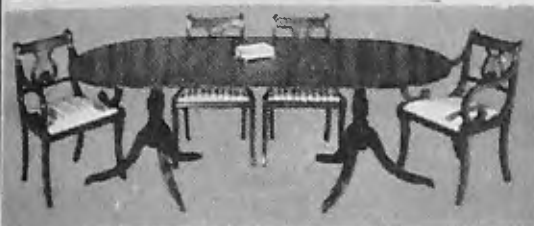
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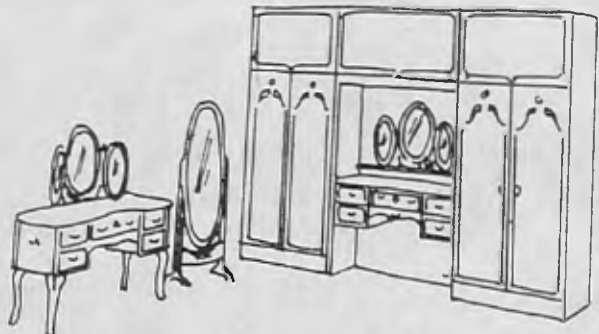


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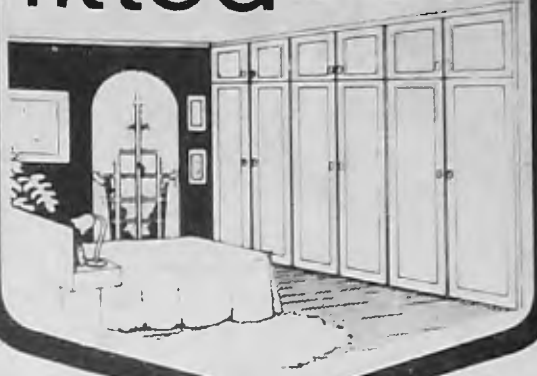
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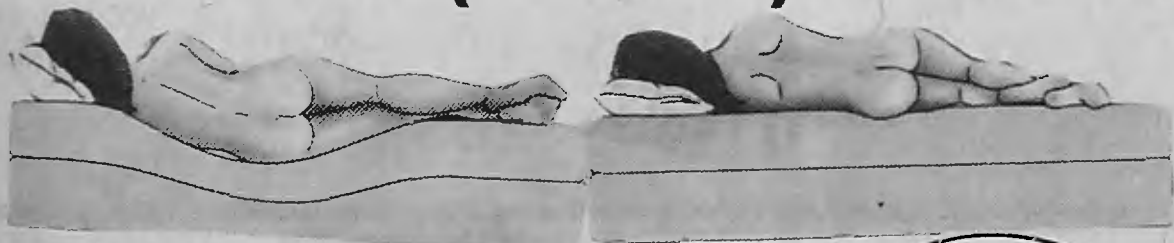
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## Hail Queen Nicola

BARNET'S Carnival Queen, Kwan James, who was crowned for Finchley Carnival last summer, is abdicating in favour of her first attendant, Nicola Doughty.

Kwan is leaving the Army and returning to Kent to be married.

Nicola, now that she is representing the borough, will officiate at any event to which she is invited as Carnival Queen. Invitations should be sent to Nicola via the Carnival and Shows Organiser, Gateway House, 322 Regents Park Road, Finchley, N3.

## SUPPLEMENTARY RATE

# Refunds to be made

BARNET COUNCIL is to refund to ratepayers all payments made in respect of the Supplementary rate of 12p in the £ which was levied by the Council on September 22, 1981. This decision was taken at the Council meeting on February 2.

This follows the decision by the House of Lords that the Greater London Council Supplementary Precept was illegal. The supplementary precept asked for by the GLC was to cut bus and tube fares by 25 per cent and improve London Transport Services.

The London Boroughs Association, on behalf of all London Boroughs, sought opinion of leading Counsel, and based on this advice the Finance Committee of Barnet Council, at its meeting on Monday, January 18, recommended the following:

1. That Barnet Council should rescind the Supplementary Rate Demand of 12p in the £ that it issued on September 22, 1981.
2. That appropriate refunds should be made forthwith to all ratepayers who paid the supplementary rate in full and who are not in arrears with their general rate payments.

3. That ratepayers who have increased their monthly instalments to include an amount for the supplementary rate should be informed of the amount they have now overpaid and asked to adjust their February instalment to take this overpayment into account.

4. That Council tenants should have their fortnightly rent and rate payments reduced by the amount of the increase they have paid to cover the supplementary rate, providing their rent and rate payments are up to date.

The report to Finance Committee stated that approximately 17,000 ratepayers had already paid the supplementary rate, and the committee agreed that refunds should be made to them as soon as possible.

It was decided not to ask ratepayers to make individual applications for refunds as this would be time-consuming, cost more to administer and cause inconvenience.

The cost to the borough for these arrangements is £8,000. In accordance with legal advice the Council is not permitted to pay interest on supplementary rate payments received.

## Go-ahead for new sewer

A NEW surface water relief sewer running from Bells Hill along Chesterfield Road and Connaught Road to Windsor Road, Barnet, is to be built to help solve the problems of flooding after heavy rainstorms in the High Barnet area.

Work should start towards the end of this month and be completed by mid-summer. Thames Water Authority have given the go-ahead for the scheme and Barnet Council, acting as their agents, have placed the contract with Percy Bilton Ltd., civil engineers.

### The route

The 750 metre long sewer will connect at its northern end with existing services at Bells Hill and Trinder Road, and follow a south-east line down to Windsor Road where it will link into the existing sewer carrying surface water to Dollis Brook. It will consist of concrete pipes of diameters varying from 45 inches (1125 mm) to 15 inches (381 mm) with an average depth below surface level of 6ft 6in (2 metres).

The work entails a series of trench excavations along these roads and this will mean road closures and traffic diversions during certain phases of the work.

London Transport plan to divert the 26 bus route to turn at Stanhope Road, and Barnet Council are hoping to maintain

vehicle access for residents to their homes throughout the whole operation.

Notices of road closures will appear in the local Press and be signposted on roads affected. Residents in the immediate vicinity of work will be sent explanatory letters.

In recent years, after any exceptional rainfall, homes in the Bells Hill, Chesterfield Road area have been flooded. Even Barnet Hospital has been affected. The surface water system in Barnet dates back over 100 years and there have been long-standing problems in keeping surface water drains clear.

'Now that we have the go-ahead from the Thames Water Authority we are pressing ahead with the scheme as quickly as possible,' Mr. Alan Stringer, Borough Engineer and Surveyor, said.

### Inconvenience

'While work is in progress I am afraid there will be inconvenience to local residents and road users. We shall do our best to keep these problems to a minimum to speed up the work.'

'A member of staff has been appointed resident engineer for the project, based at the site offices at the junction of Chesterfield and Stanhope Roads and he will be able to deal personally with local problems as they arise. The Council apologise for any inconvenience but in the long term this new relief sewer will be of benefit to the whole area.'

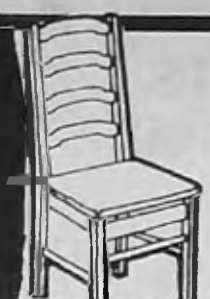
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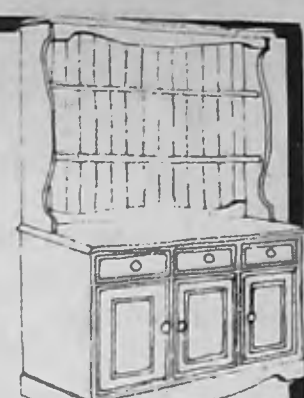
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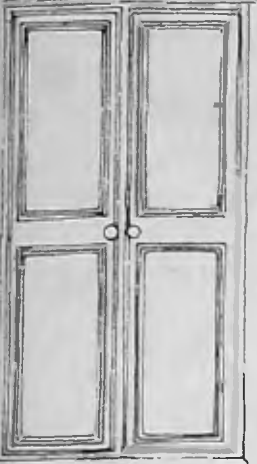
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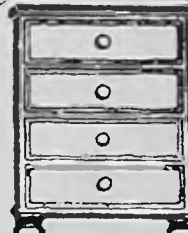


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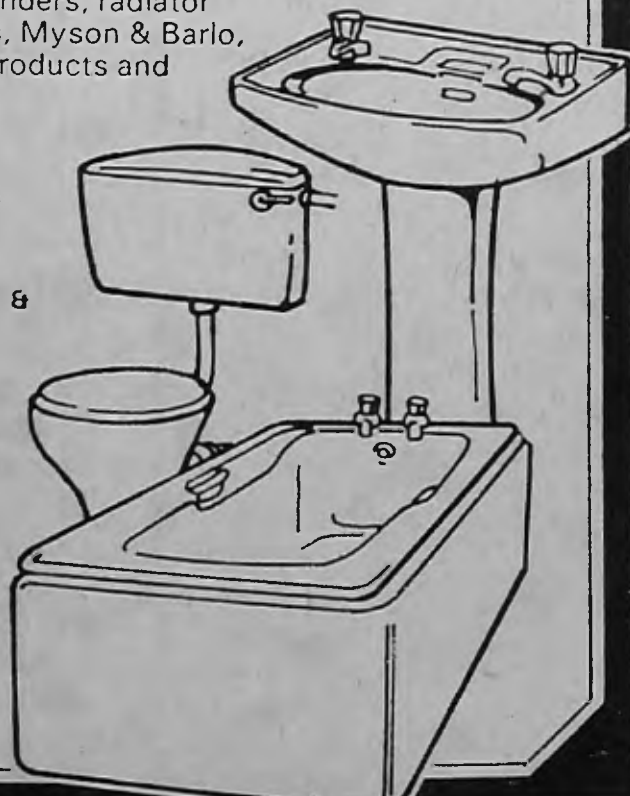
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## Action line on Citizens' Rights

**ACTION** taken by Barnet Council's Social Services Department has led to a partially blind man receiving £33 a week more and 12 months payments in arrears; a disabled person being able to claim several hundred pounds in arrears for attendance allowance and five people being granted attendance allowance; and has helped many other residents in the borough to claim the benefits to which they are entitled.

It is all part of an initiative to help handicapped and elderly people not merely to obtain the grants and benefits to which they are entitled but also to make sure they are getting the **right** benefits.

The problem is not always in getting a grant, it often lies in making sure that anyone needing financial help takes up the benefit best suited to their needs and circumstances.

Many elderly and handicapped people do not claim money to which they are entitled under our complicated Social Security system or receive less than is their due. Sometimes it is a lack of knowledge, sometimes there is diffidence in claiming because of an imagined social stigma. But also, because of the sheer complexity in the range of benefits available, the pressures of work and sometimes misunderstanding or lack of communication, clerical errors are made in Social Security offices. After all, unless an officer has full details of a claimant's circumstances it is almost impossible to make the right decision.

### Day Centre interviews

Welfare rights are so complex that they are fast becoming a specialist subject.

Last April Barnet Council invited a local member of the Child Poverty Action Group, Mr. Henry Ollendorff, on a sessional basis, to find out how this problem of under-assessment of benefits applied to the elderly or handicapped members of the borough's seven Day Centres.

Mr. Ollendorff is a recognised specialist in welfare rights and benefits. He is associated with the Citizens' Advice Bureaux and with Harrow and Barnet Citizens' Rights Group. During his assignment he spoke to the centres about rights and benefits in general terms and then invited individuals to consult him about their own particular problems.

Altogether about 80 people were interviewed, having re-



Mr. Henry Ollendorff talks about rights and benefits to Pensioners' Voice, a retired residents' organisation, in East Finchley Library.

quested assistance and information. In one centre alone 30 people asked for an interview.

Many were able to be helped in a quite substantial way, and the results are still coming in with some cases in the process of negotiation.

Results already recorded have proved the scheme a success. Many blatant errors were rectified. Apart from the cases mentioned in the first paragraph of this article, there were elderly ladies claiming rent and rate rebates who were steered towards claiming supplementary benefit instead. These were cases where, because of their circumstances, the supplementary benefit system was better for them and it drew them into an area in which many other benefits may be open to them.

A difficulty which faces many elderly people when they approach the authorities for financial help is that it is up to the claimant to decide which benefit to apply for. Without specialist advice it is so easy to ask for the wrong benefit.

As a result of the interviews with Mr. Ollendorff, 15 new applications were put in for attendance allowance. One severely handicapped lady received an electric fire to replace a dangerous oil fire. A partially-sighted lady received repair costs for an essential washing

machine and there were a dozen or so applications for increased heating allowances and laundry help which are in the pipeline.

Altogether there was further help available for three-quarters of the people coming forward which could be taken as a rough guideline to the number of cases in the borough where benefits are not being fully taken up.

### Housing problems

People with housing problems were pointed in the right direction and helped to put together the right information; others were referred to their Social Services Area Team to apply for free or reduced telephone rentals or installations.

The social security system has become more complicated and for this reason, and through pride or misunderstanding many people do not make claims, while others do not query underpayments.

Through Mr. Ollendorff's series of interviews 80 people were given the opportunity to explain their problems and position and were able to make sure that they were receiving their full entitlements.

Help is always available from the Citizens' Advice Bureaux, social services department and citizens' rights groups, or DABB, the Disablement Association in the Borough of Barnet. But the need to tell people

about their Social Security and Local Authority entitlements remains and Barnet Council are planning a short publicity campaign this Spring. The campaign is being supported by Social Security, Social Services, Housing and Voluntary organisations.

### Useful telephone numbers

**Citizen Advice Bureaux**  
Bell Lane, Hendon: 203 5801  
East Barnet: 441 2384  
Edgware: 959 0915  
Finchley: 349 0954  
Friern Barnet: 361 0727  
Grahame Park: 205 4141  
West Hendon: 202 5177

### Social Services Area Teams

Team A, New Barnet: 449 5511  
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Team C, Edgware: 952 7722  
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**Harrow and Barnet Citizens' Rights Group: 458 6264 or 446 2701**

# Can I get any help with my fuel bills?

EAST BARNET Citizens' Advice Bureau have found that one of the most common problems that people have been bringing to them recently is also the one to which there is no easy answer — namely is there any financial help available for fuel bills?

Due to many factors such as lower incomes, the high cost of fuel, inefficient heating systems and poor insulation, more and more people are finding it difficult to meet their gas and electricity bills and are getting into difficulties with arrears and threats of disconnection.

Unfortunately in many cases the bureau staff find that there is no Government or other scheme which would help with fuel bills and heating costs. But the bureau's workers are able to negotiate, on behalf of the caller, direct with the fuel boards about repayment of arrears and discuss alternative ways of payment such as paying an agreed amount each month on a budget basis, or pre-payment meters.

They can also advise callers on the Fuel Boards' Code of Practice which details the procedures to be followed before a

disconnection takes place.

Some people however are eligible to apply for extra financial help, but this only applies to those in receipt of supplementary benefit. Money is given automatically to specific groups of people, for example to those on supplementary benefit who have a dependant in receipt of a mobility allowance, but in most cases it is up to the individual to apply direct to the Department of Health and Social Security for a grant.

For example, if your home is very difficult to heat because it is damp, you can get an extra £1.63 or £4.05 a week depending on the extent of the problem. You may also be able to get a lump-sum payment if you need such things as extra blankets or a heater repaired. But the bureau emphasises that all these benefits are only available to people who receive supplementary benefit.

Help with insulation costs is available to people who are receiving supplementary allowance or pension, rent/rate rebates or allowances and various disability allowances. This means that if you are elderly or

on a low income you can get a grant which will cover 90 per cent (up to £90) of the cost of insulating your loft, hot water tank and pipes in the loft.

The most important thing to remember about problems which arise over paying fuel bills is that you should seek help and advice straight away. Some people, understandably, are afraid of admitting they cannot pay their bills and therefore delay in asking for help until they are on the point of being disconnected or have in fact already been disconnected.

Although the bureau cannot perform miracles, they can help alleviate some of the problems which might otherwise arise.

## Sale goods

When you buy goods in a sale which turn out to be faulty, you have exactly the same legal rights as if the goods were bought at any other time.

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the manufacturer, to deal with your claim. So remember to take the goods back to the shop, with your receipt if possible, as soon as you can.

If you have a problem when returning goods or wish to learn more about your rights as a consumer, call in at the local Citizens Advice Bureau.

## Citizens' Advice Bureaux

**Hendon:** 25 Bell Lane, Hendon, NW4 2SP (tel. 203 5801).

**East Barnet:** Town Hall, Station Road, New Barnet, EN5 1QN (tel. 441 2384).

**Edgware/Burnt Oak:** Watling Community Centre, 145 Orange Hill Road, Edgware, HA8 0TR (tel. 959 0915).

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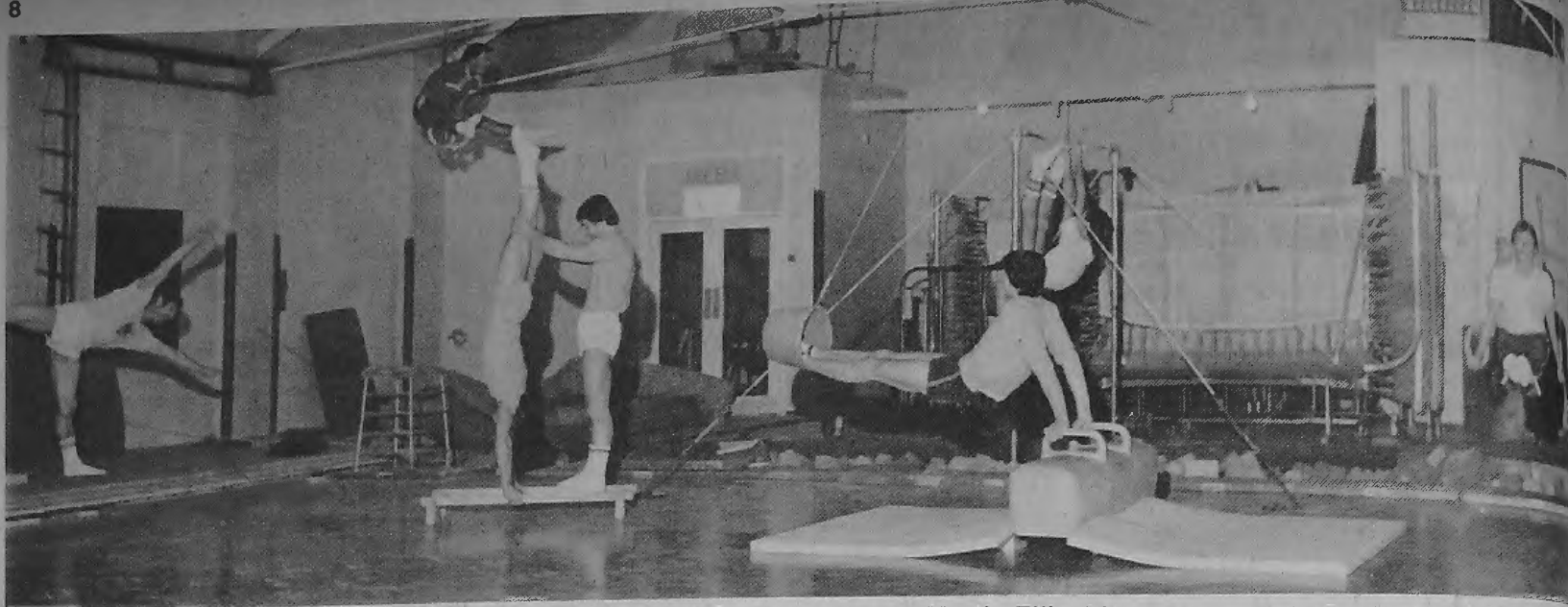
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Activity on senior team training night, left to right: Eddie Arnold, balance; Martin Ellis, high rings; Martin Davis, handstand, held by Tommy Wilson; Vince Walduck, pommel practice; Andy Rich, high bar; Martin Ling, low rings.

## HENDON: where the top gymnasts train

HENDON SPORTS CENTRE has held, for many years, an outstanding record for training men gymnasts. Its members take part in — and win — international competitions. Its coaching staff are international gymnasts and this year four youngsters from the intermediate group spent their summer holiday training in Hungary, with their coach, Neil Lunn.

Now the same high standard of coaching can be offered to girls who want to train seriously for this most arduous and disciplined of sports.

The sports centre in Algernon Road is a former Territorial Army hall. Although it is geared up to a full training programme in vaulting, and apparatus work for the men, there has not been the space nor the specialist coaching staff available to take a girls team through to competition standard. So up to this summer the girls were only able to join in the recreational classes.

Now beginners, intermediate and advanced classes for girls are being held in the nearby Parkfield School where there is space for them to do the graceful mat work which is a major element in women's gymnastics.

Unlike many large boroughs Barnet has no single mammoth sports centre. Instead offers a series of local centres such as Queen Elizabeth's Centre, Barnet; Ashmole Sports Centre, Southgate; and Centre Point, Greenhame Park. Many youth clubs also open their doors to adult training classes and sports such as Badminton are available in school sports halls.

But Hendon Sports Centre is in a slightly different category. It has become the specialist centre of the borough for gymnastics a growth sport where coaching of top standard is so much in demand that you

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Tracy Smart, 10, Samantha Davies, 6, and Emmay Morgan, 7, three of Hendon's embryo girl gymnasts team with a group of classmates.

people come from miles away to train at Hendon. Tommy Wilson, who in October was placed fourth overall in the British Championships and has been twice chosen to represent Britain in the Olympics; Martin Ling, Martin Davis and Eddie Arnold, all international gymnasts, train at Hendon — and often help youngsters to improve their techniques and style.

Not all the classes are run at such a serious level. On Sunday mornings there's a three hour session on trampoline and family fitness and on Monday and Thursday evenings there are Popmobility classes. Now the Centre has started a Mums and Toddlers class.

There is a weights room in which organised classes are held but on Thursday and Friday evenings it is open to individuals and groups experienced in the use of weights and strength-building apparatus.

And in Hendon School, again close to the centre, the sports hall is used for Badminton coaching and club use.

All this adds up to a centre which is intensively used, where space is at a premium and where the coaches work to make use of every piece of equipment in a concentrated programme geared to give youngsters an opportunity to stretch their abilities to the full.

### National champions

It is this type of training which has enabled the senior team from Hendon Sports Centre to win the Adam Shield, the national team championship trophy and to have their gymnasts selected to take part in world championship events.

The centre organiser is Tim Smithers who before taking over the Hendon Centre earlier this year was a physical education instructor at Ashmore School and assistant manager at Queen Elizabeth's Sports Centre. He admits that his own favourite sport is Rugby Football and he turns out with the Saracens, but he sees his job as that of director and administrator with the need to make sure that the coaching staff are meeting the requirements of his young gymnasts.

His assistant organiser is Eddie Van Hoof, a current international champion gymnast and British silver medallist on the parallel bars, who takes responsibility for the style and content of coaching.

His team is a strong one. Nigel Zone, who coaches the girls' teams, was with Harrow and has competed and trained in Russia under the Daily Mirror scholarship scheme.

Neil Lunn, who takes the intermediate boys' group, was the coach who took his team to Hungary this summer as the guests of one of their leading sports clubs, Ferenc Varos in Budapest. He has been with Hendon for five years, developing a group of young gymnasts, and the boys who went on the Hungarian visit. Stephen Tan, Barry Martin, Mark Quelch and Michael Flegg, are now competing in their age groups at national level.

All agree that their visit to Budapest was valuable. Every day they spent six hours in the gymnasium, learning to accept the very strict discipline of training which is part and parcel of the Hungarian system. What impressed them most was the time young gymnasts there are given for their training and the fact that many were actually paid expenses to train.

Jean Smith, the only woman gymnast coach, takes the younger boys under her wing, and Billy Wills, a champion gymnast with several titles under his belt, takes the senior team.

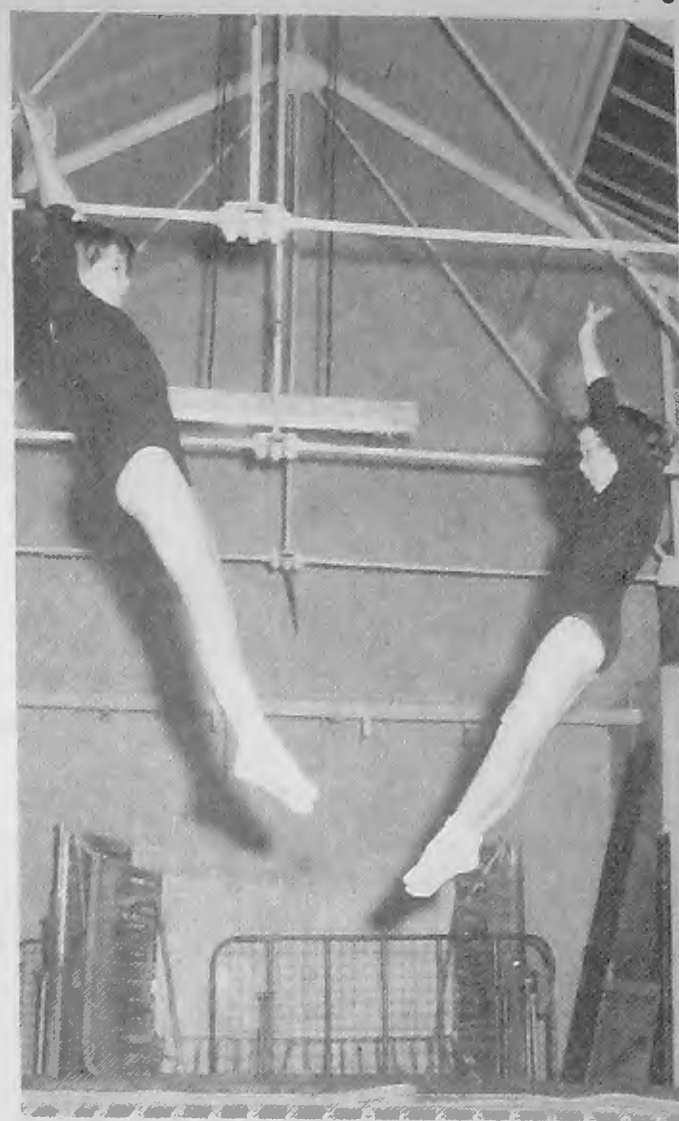
Tim Smithers explains the Hendon Centre philosophy: 'We want gymnastics to be fun so we offer recreational classes for those who want to enjoy the exercise, get fit and stay fit. But with the quality of coaching staff and apparatus we have here it is obvious that we should concentrate on developing youngsters with that special ability which makes a good gymnast.

'It is a sport which, because of television presentations and the outstanding successes of the young Russian and Rumanian girls, has tremendous appeal to young people.

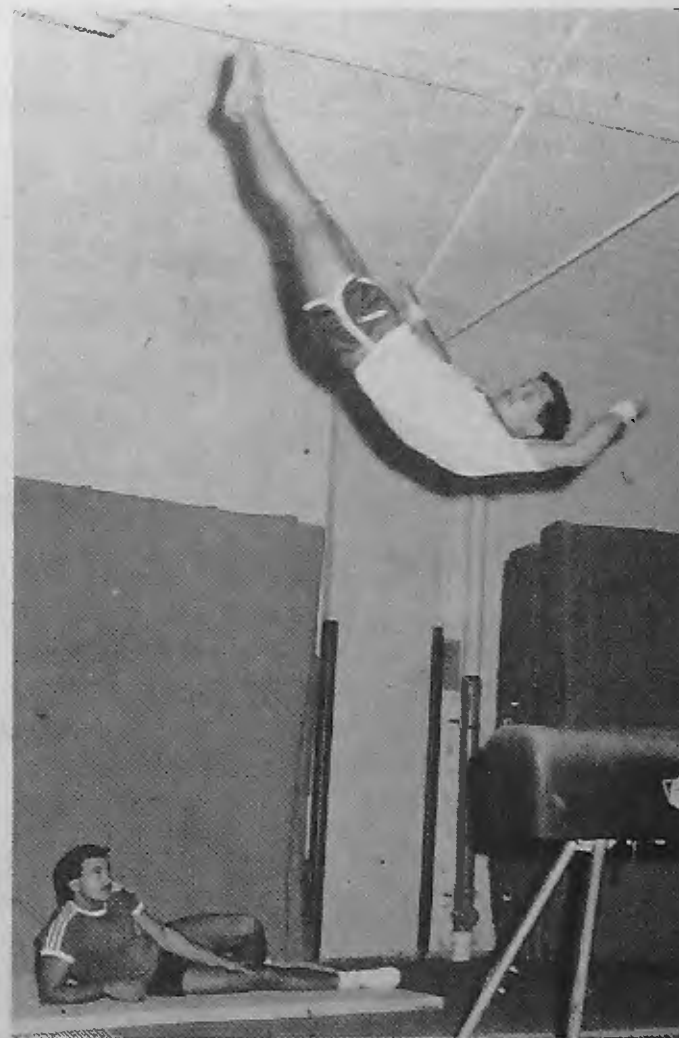
'But it is also a sport which demands that the youngsters put in a lot of hard work and time. So here at Hendon we are on the look out for dedicated young gymnasts. If they come to us we can offer them first class coaching and facilities. Our other sports centres in the borough offer starter classes and we hope that they will encourage the young gymnasts who want to extend their ability to competition standard to come here to Hendon.

'Our reputation for coaching goes far beyond the borough boundaries, but we want to make certain that our local youngsters know of the facilities that are here and take full advantage of them.'

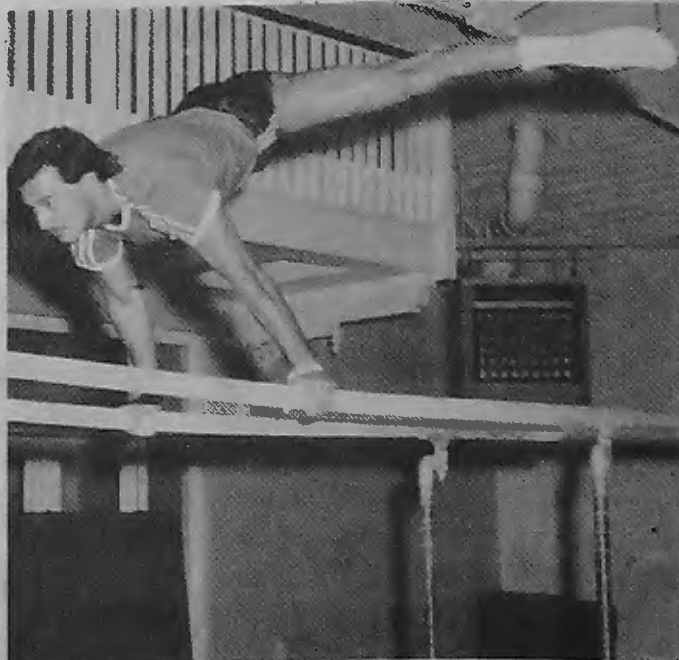
Further information about training sessions can be obtained from Hendon Sports Centre, Algernon Road, Hendon, NW4 3TA (tel. 202 6027).



Sian, 13, and Natasha Parry at work on the trampoline. They are members of Hendon's newly-formed trampoline team.



Andy Righ flies high in a half turn as he completes a vault.



Martin Ellis holds a straddle on the parallel bars.

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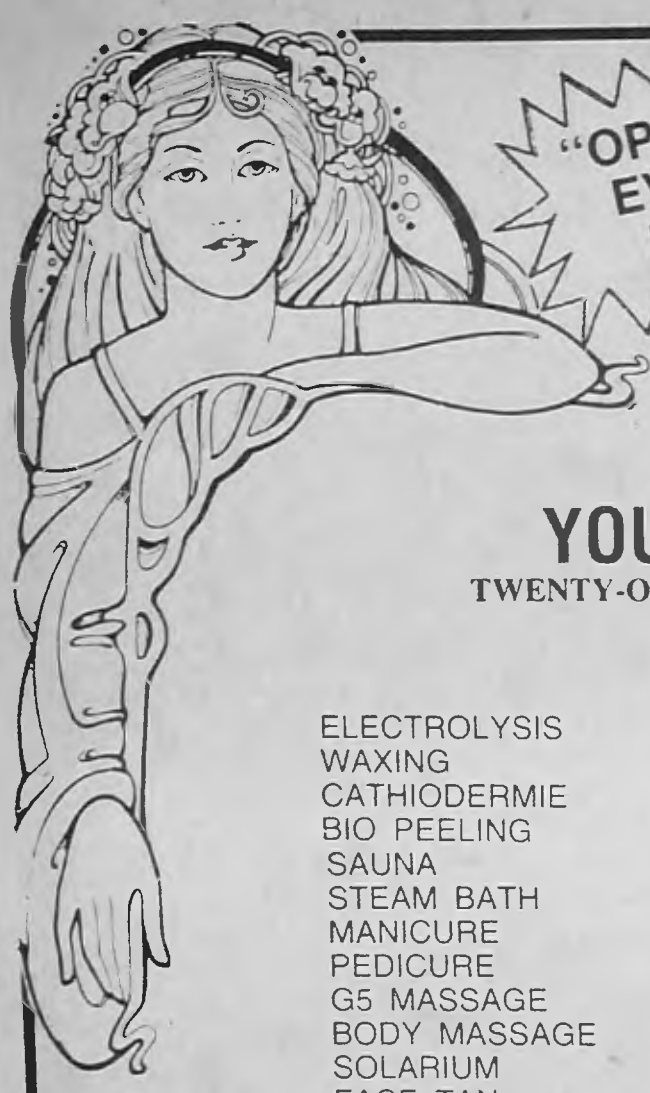
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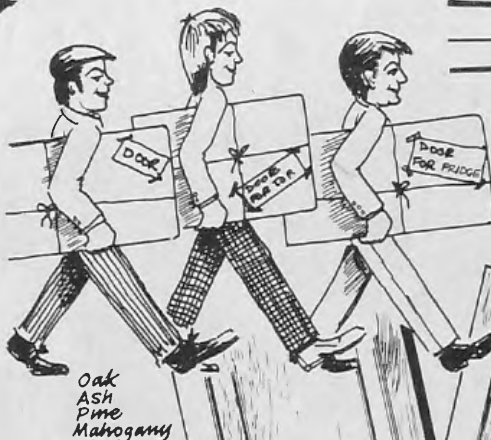
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# Letters to the editor

## Wanted-special type of foster parent

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The call will be made throughout the London boroughs of Barnet, Enfield, Waltham Forest, Haringey and Redbridge for mature, stable people to train in caring for a hard-to-place child in their own homes.

These children, usually already in children's homes, will either be older children, or handicapped in some way. The training and preparation lasts for six months at which point the appointment will be made and the contract allowance of £60 per week (plus food, clothing, etc. allowance according

to the child's age) will commence.

The fostering group will continue to meet and train, comparing problems and successes and giving each other essential mutual support.

This type of trained, 'professional' fostering will be new to the boroughs (except in Haringey where the local authority run a scheme on slightly different lines), and the realistic payment is likely to attract many people who, perhaps, would not formerly have considered fostering as a viable alternative to part or full time work.

For further information contact:

**Jill Anderson**  
Special Foster Project  
Harpenden 4688/9  
**John Lloyd**  
NCH Press Officer  
01-226 2033

## BARNET CARNIVAL

BARNET CARNIVAL will be held this year on Monday, May 31, the Spring Bank Holiday, at the Byng Road Playing Fields, High Barnet. The carnival has now become part of the Barnet scene with its special appeal of a full day's entertainment for all the family.

Arrangements for the 1982 Carnival are already being made. The central attraction of this year's events will be the clowns and speciality acts which should prove to be particularly popular with the younger members of the family. In addition

there will be all the regular attractions including the fair, the parachute display and the side shows organised by Barnet's local voluntary groups.

The carnival has been well supported in the past by these organisations. If there are any who have not received an invitation to take part and raise funds for their own particular purpose and would like to do so, then I will be willing to provide them with further details. I can be contacted on 01-440 2900.

**J. Y. Lewis**  
(for the Carnival Committee)

## Victims' support scheme

DURING the past year we have been trying to launch a Victims' Support Scheme in Barnet and although we have had quite a good response from volunteers who would like to be trained to counsel and assist the victims of crime, we have not yet found a co-ordinator for the scheme. This will be a very responsible task involving a high degree of commitment.

There must be someone in or near Barnet who has a telephone and plenty of time to spare for such a deserving project. A small committee has been formed which includes

police, probation and volunteers so our co-ordinator will have a good support group.

This is not a paid employment but expenses will be reimbursed. Any offers?

Please contact:

**Mrs E. Wayne**  
Barnet Probation Office  
7c High Street  
Barnet, Herts  
(Tel. 440 9241)  
or **Sue Barnet**,  
Barnet Volunteer Bureau  
275 Regents Park Road  
Finchley, N3  
(Tel. 349 2930)

## BAKE A CAKEATHON

IT IS HARD to beat The Family Holiday Association when it comes to originality in fund raising. Last year they held a gliding and supper evening at Dunstable and now they are planning Barnet's and probably the country's first 'Cakeathon' — a mammoth bring or buy a cake for charity.

Hendon College of Further Education is co-operating in the event which will be held at their Flower Lane, Mill Hill annexe

on March 27.

In addition to the bring or buy there are to be competitions for the best decorated cake depicting a holiday theme. There will be prizes for both adults and children's classes.

All cakes will be sold to swell the charity's funds.

Full details from:

**The Family Holiday Association**  
5 Hill Close, NW11  
(455 177)

## Waiting list reduced

BARNET, Haringey and Hertsme Marriage Guidance Council's waiting list for anyone with a personal relationship problem has been greatly reduced. This is because so many people came forward in 1981 to be trained at our Rugby College. Indeed, our counselling strength has doubled.

We are therefore, a growing, thriving part of the voluntary services and our 54 counsellors are able to offer appointments to people in distress without months of waiting as, unfortu-

nately was the case during the previous year.

If any of your readers feel the letter is for them, whether people in distress or as voluntary counsellor candidates, I do hope they will get in touch with me for they will be warmly welcomed.

**Patricia Gilke**  
Director  
Barnet, Haringay & Hertsme  
Marriage Guidance Council  
5 Woodhouse Road  
North Finchley, N12  
(tel: 445 9549/8522/0888)

## Parking on grass verges

SOME residents seem to be totally indifferent to the condition of the grass verges which make many of our residential roads so pleasant. Vans and cars parked on the grass do considerable damage and, surprisingly, offenders are often those living nearby. They do not seem to share my dismay at the trenches and furrows wrought by driving and parking on the grass, especially in wet weather. Friary Road, North Finchley, is a case in point, especially near the park, where many people visiting that lovely park leave their vehicles.

Another saddening sight is the rubbish strewn round the Lodge Lane bottle bank, especially after a public holiday, when one finds bottles piled up outside the container, even when it is not full.

I hope that many resolutions about improving the appearance of our neighbourhood will be made and kept in 1982.

**Mary Hodgkinson**  
26 Beech Lawns  
Torrington Park  
North Finchley

## A dance directory

FOLLOWING a highly successful Dance Conference at Middlesex Polytechnic, Trent Park delegates were made aware of how much dance activity, and how much variety, there is in the area — and how difficult it is to find out about these activities.

It is therefore hoped that a Dance Directory will be published, covering the whole of the Borough of Barnet. If you are involved, either as a private teacher or in a group, in any type of dance or related activity (ballet, contemporary ballroom, folk, ethnic, yoga, pop, mobility, etc.) and would like to be included in the Directory please send details to: **Sandra Hockey**, 41 Gloucester Road, New Barnet, Herts, EN5 1RZ.

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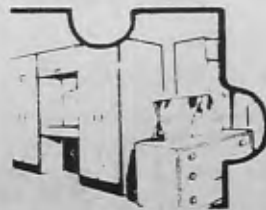
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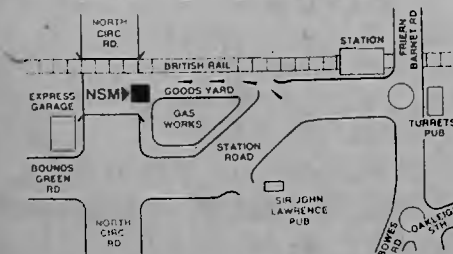
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# The Wonderful World of Play

WALT DISNEY could not have found a better subject — the world of children at play. Barnet Play Association have made a video cassette film about their Integrated Playscheme which they ran jointly with Barnet Society for Mentally Handicapped Children and Adults.

This film, together with an exhibition of photographs, many taken by the children themselves while taking part in playschemes, is to be shown at Barnet Play Association's Annual Meeting, to be held at The Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon, on February 25 at 7.30 pm for 8 pm.

The video film tells the story of children who joined in the many activities organised at or from Outlook House, Flower Lane, Mill Hill.

## Sheer Joy

In words and pictures it tells of the benefits of bringing together children of different abilities and of encouraging an exchange of visits with other community play schemes and the sheer joy of the children as



The setting: Mill Hill Park. The fun: the giant inflatables which Barnet Play Association have introduced into their play schemes.

they took part in supervised outings.

The playscheme was funded by an Urban Aid Grant approved by Barnet Council and the Department of the Environment as a suitable venture and contribution to the International Year of Disabled People.

One of the highlights of the

show is the use of the giant inflatables — huge balls and dice which were bought by the Play Association with a donation from Thames TV Telethon. These inflatables travelled from place to place delighting the children.

The film was made with equipment freely loaned by San-

gam, the Association of Asian Women.

All who are interested in children's play, and concerned about the need to maintain and improve play provision particularly at holiday times and after school hours will be most welcome to attend the Association's AGM.

## Needs of kids

Some of the issues which are being raised are the special requirements of children with other handicaps, such as the deaf, and the needs of children from ethnic minorities as well as the problems of the single parent family.

And even more wide ranging are the problems of safety in unsupervised playgrounds.

Barnet Play Association has a reputation for creative ideas which get put into practice.

## CONTACT

For more information contact Mrs. Pia Duran, 70 Northway, NW11. Tel: 458 2300.

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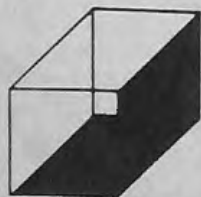
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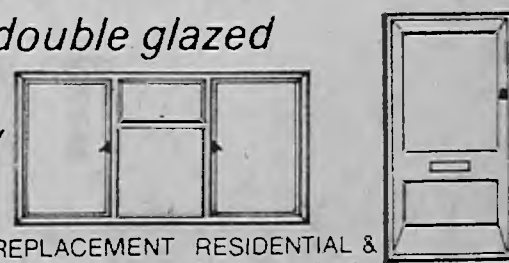
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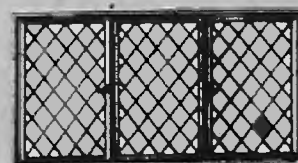
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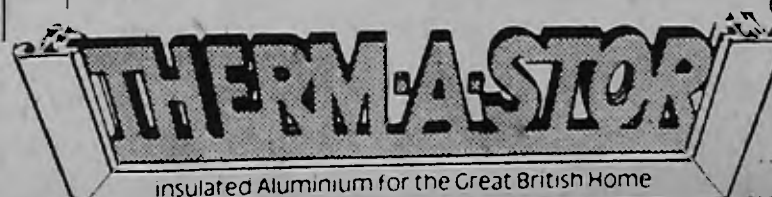
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Church Farm House, Greyhound Hill  
Hendon, 'Silents to Cinerama'—a  
Cinema Manager's progress

The new exhibition at the museum on Greyhound Hill, Hendon, is Silents to Ciner-

ama, a cinema manager's progress, and which is open to the public until March 14.

Through photographs and documents it tells the story of the late Maurice Cheepen whose widow lives in Muswell Hill and who has generously allowed Barnet Council to use her husband's collection of cinema records. After the exhibition closes the material will go to the National Film Archive.

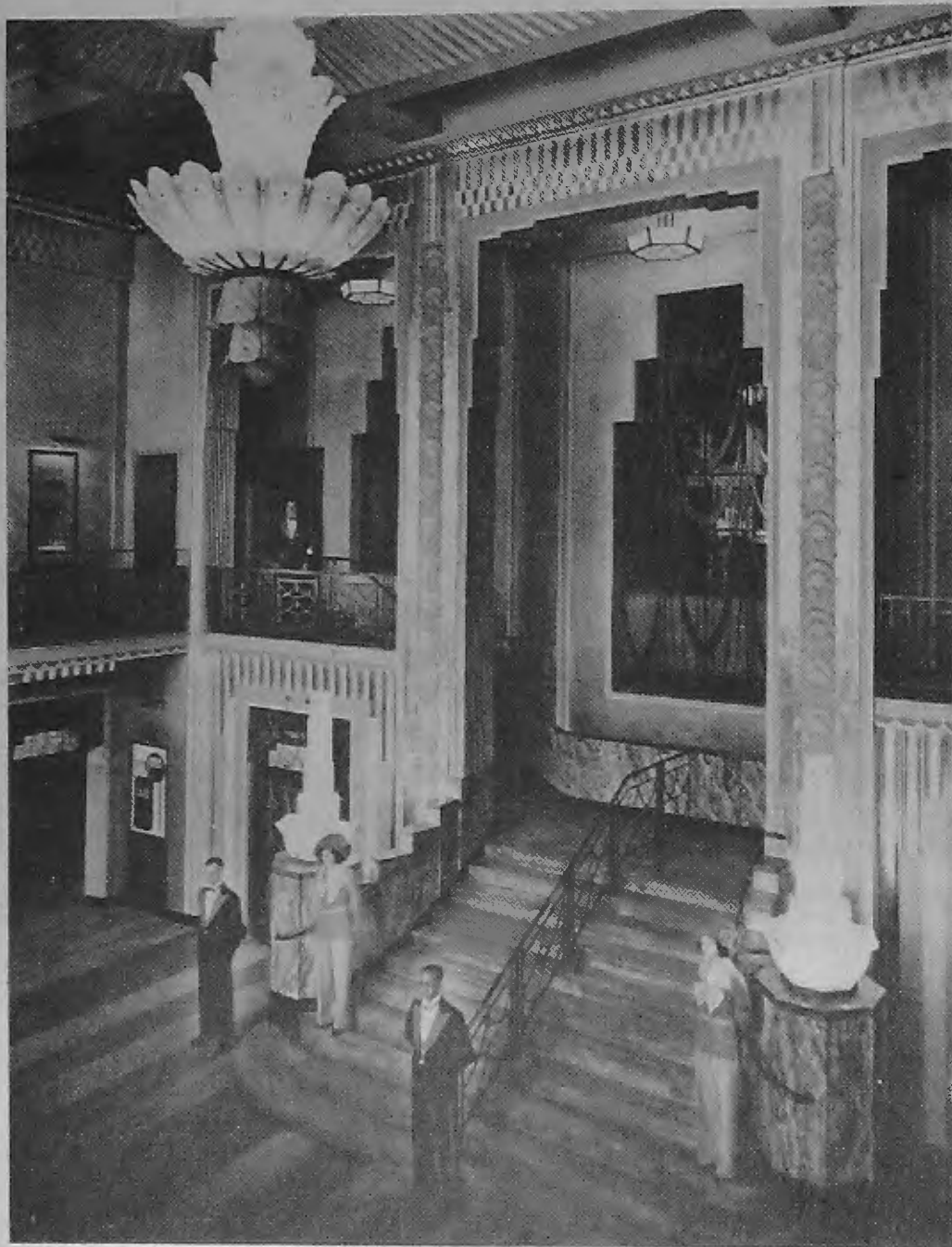


Maurice Cheepen at the height of his career.

Among the cinemas he managed was the Broadway Cinema, Stratford at Bow, which in 1928 claimed to be the biggest film theatre in Europe attracting 30,000 customers a week and which was the first in Britain to show 'talkies' on a regular basis.

He spent most of his career managing independent cinemas trying to keep ahead of the big cinema chains which kept moving in to take over the smaller companies.

The exhibition is open, free of charge, during museum opening hours: weekdays, except Tuesday, 10 am—1 pm, 2—5.30 pm; Tues. 10 am—1 pm; Sunday 2—5.30 pm. The film will be shown at selected times. For details telephone 203 0130.



## Early starter

Maurice Cheepen gave his first cine show at the age of eight in his back garden, using a magic lantern and with his sister dancing in the interval.

By the age of 17 he was managing his uncle's cinema in Clerkenwell — but was too young to be licenced. By 1919 he was a full manager and he continued working until the 1970s.

**The Foyer of the Troxy Cinema, Stepney, a splendid example of Art Deco in the 1930s. The uniforms of the assistant managers and usherettes reflected the importance of cinema as an entertainment during this period.**

## CATCHING UP WITH THE LAW

Two new one-day courses, one on 'The New Company Law' and the other on 'Personal Tax Planning' are to be held at Middlesex Polytechnic, The Burroughs, Hendon, on Wednesday, March 24.

The first course examines the implications of the Companies' Acts 1980 and 1981. Suitable for company directors, company secretaries, accountants, solicitors and other professional people, the course is geared to familiarise them with the new acts, concentrating on the private as well as the limited company.

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Further information about both courses can be obtained from Mrs. Carol Moon, Faculty of Business Studies and Management, Middlesex Polytechnic, The Burroughs, Hendon, NW4 4BT (01-202 6545).

## Return to Learning

A NEW TYPE of activity for older people with an interest in study is being offered by Middlesex Polytechnic in September.

Entitled 'Return to Learning' the course runs from Sunday, September 5 to Saturday, September 11 on a residential basis or from September 6 to September 10 on a non-residential basis at the Polytechnic's campus in White Hart Lane, Tottenham.

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## THE MAYOR GOES SHOPPING

THE MAYOR of Barnet visiting the charity shop which raised £2,301 for her appeal. With her in the picture are Mrs. Valerie Gerrard (left), Mrs. Vivien Summers, Mrs. Molly Moss and Mrs. Joan Partridge, appeal chairman (right).

With three months to run the Mayor of Barnet's Appeal is entering into its most active phase with a host of events — social, sporting and lucky.

Already £17,000 has rolled into the funds but all the organising committee are hoping that much more will be raised to help Barnet contribute in a major way to the objective of the appeal — a new research laboratory and other resources for CICRA — Crohn's Disease

in Childhood Research Association.

Here are some diary dates and the committee hope that all who can will join in.

### Tuesday, March 2

Wine, dine and enjoy the fun of the race course from your candle-lit table at Inglis Barracks, Mill Hill. Tickets just £5. Why not make up a group. Contact the appeal chairman, Mrs Joan Partridge. Tel: 202 7441.

### Saturday, March 13

Sponsored swim at Copthall Pool. This is mainly an event for Barnet school children but all are welcome both to swim and to sponsor. Contact the organis-

er, Mr. Gerald Kirby, 45 Bulwer Road, New Barnet, Herts. Make this a real splash event.

### Tuesday, March 30

We're going to the Zoo, Zoo, Zoo to dine and dance and we hear there is to be a marvellous tombola. The evening is being organised by Councillor Mrs. Ena Summers with a sub-committee. But remember numbers are limited so book now. Tickets £12.50. Contact Mrs. Summers on 455 5495.

Other events in the pipe-line: Concerts by the Hindu Cultural Society and the Dipala Society; International Rugby match, grand draw evening (tickets from Mrs. Joan Partridge 202 7441) and Grand Fete at Inglis Barracks on Sunday, May 9.

## Part-time art time

PART-TIME art students at net College are staging own art exhibition of work submitted for the 'O' and 'A' examinations in 1981.

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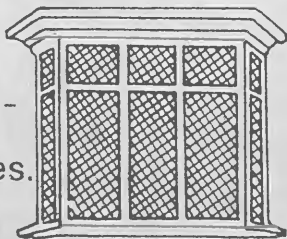
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### Contact

If anyone can help Mr. Cranwell's students, he can be contacted at the Polytechnic's Bounds Green site on 01-368 1299, extension 250.

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Phil Watkins, senior lecturer, takes a close look at some of the displayed paintings in the Stanhope Road Centre exhibition.

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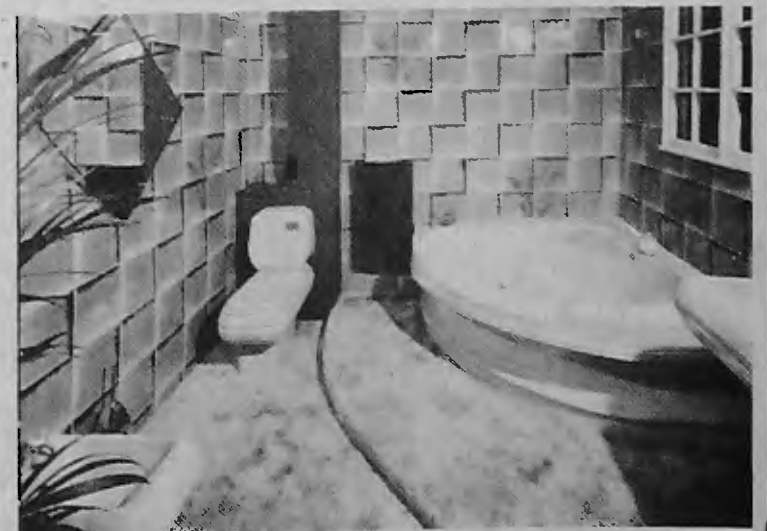


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# WHAT'S ON IN BARNET

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

**Entries for the April issue (April 10 to May 15) must reach the editor by March 10.**

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

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

## Saturday February 13

- British Tinnitus Association (NW London), The Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon. 1.30 pm.
- \*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 Abbots Crescent, Chingford).

## Sunday February 14

- Octopus Swimming Club for the Handicapped, Squires Lane Baths, Finchley, N3. 12.30-1.30 pm (346 5944).
- St. Valentine's Brunch and Crazy Auction, Old Bull, 68 High Street, Barnet. In aid of Building Fund. Tickets £2. Noon-3 pm (449 0048).
- Public meetings conducted by Captain and Mrs. Clifford Hurcum, Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 1.30 am and 6.30 pm.
- \*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 (349 2930).
- \*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 February 15

- Hampstead Garden Suburb Antiques Circle, Bigwood House, Bigwood Road, NW11. 8 pm. 'Silver Boxes'. (455 9951).
- Friern Barnet Council for Voluntary Service Whist Drive, Day Centre, Friern Barnet Road, N11. 2.15 pm (368 4278).
- \*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 am-1 pm; Wednesdays 2-4.30 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 February 16

- Solo Club for widowed, divorced and single (26-60), Finchley area. 8 pm (346 7466/445 9810).
- Barnet Branch, North Middlesex Family History Society, Church House, Wood Street, Barnet. 7.45 pm. 'Poor Law Records'. (449 5080/6153).
- \*Barnet and District Athletic Club Training Night, Victoria Hall, East Barnet. 7.15 pm (441 1589).
- \*20th Century Sequence Dancing Club, All Saints' Hall, Oakleigh Road North, Whetstone. 7.45 pm (360 2586).
- \*Scottish dancing, St. Albans Church Hall, West Heath Drive, NW11. 8-10.30 pm. Children's Scottish dancing, 6.30-7.30 pm.
- \*Modern ballroom and Latin American dancing, Shakespear Hall, Manor Park Crescent, Station Road, Edgware. 8.30 pm (346 5868).
- \*Judo, The Quinta Club, Mays Lane, Barnet (449 2914).
- \*Hendon South Young Socialists meeting. 7 Sunnyfields Road, Hendon. 8 pm.
- \*Hendon South Young Conservatives meeting, 166 Station Road, Hendon. 8.15 pm (455 9136).
- \*Friern Barnet Photographic Society, St. John's Hall, Friern Barnet Lane. 8 pm (445 2617).
- \*West Hendon Handicraft Group, West Hendon Community Centre, West Hendon Estate. 2-4 pm (205 0514).

- \*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's Ambulance Brigade, Care Hall, Claremont Road, Cricklewood. 7.30 pm (428 4529).
- \*Barnet Hockey Club training session, Grahame Park at weather floodlit pitch. 8 pm (445 8968 or 61 22668).
- \*East Finchley Sisterhood Methodist Church Hall, High Road, East Finchley. 2.30 pm (444 5756).
- \*Hendon Arts Theatre Workshop, Church House, Greyhound Hill, Hendon. 7.45 pm. £1 per session (non-members £1.50). Junior Workshop 6.15 pm (202 6242).
- \*Old Bull Morris Dancers. Mixed Sex Clog Morris Team. Assembly Hall, Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Meadway, Barnet. 7.45-9.45 pm (440 1861).
- \*Manor Drive Methodist Church Wives' Club, corner of York Way and Manor Drive, N2 (during term-time). 2-3.15 pm. Creche available (368 2193).
- \*Jewish Association & Cultural Society, Henriques House, 120 Oakleigh Road North, N20. 1.30-3.30 pm (368 3986).
- \*Home League women's meeting, East Finchley Salvation Army, Hertford Road, East Finchley. 2.15 pm (444 0207).
- \*Barnet Tae Kwon Do Club, 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).
- \*Umpires Training Course, Cockfosters Cricket Club Pavilion, Chalk Lane. 8 pm. Umpires and aspiring umpires welcome. No fees. (449 5496/368 5771).
- \*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).

## EXHIBITIONS

- Until March 14**  
'Silents to Cinerama' — a cinema manager's progress, Church Farm House Museum, Greyhound Hill, Hendon. Open: weekdays (except Tuesday) 10 am-1 pm, 2-5.30 pm; Tues. 10 am-1 pm; Sunday, 2-5.30 pm.
- February 19 to March 13**  
Paintings and Collage by Peter Wells and Christine Wilson, The Crest Gallery, Dollisfield Library, Totteridge Lane, N20. Open: Tues., Wed. 2-5.30 pm; Fri. 11 am-1 pm, 2-5.30 pm; Sat. 11 am-1 pm; 2-4 pm (361 9648).
- Until February 20**  
Sculpture by Ian Mickson, The Old Bull Arts Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet. Open: Mon.—Sat. 10 am-6 pm (closed Thursday pm) (449 0048).
- February 22 to March 13**  
Sculpture by John Somerville and drawings by Colin Williams, The Old Bull Arts

- Centre, 68 High Street, Barnet. Open: Mon.—Sat. 10 am-6 pm (closed Thursday pm) (449 0048).
- Until February 25**  
Watercolours by students of William Huntley, Stanhope Road Adult Centre, North Finchley. Open: Mon.—Fri. 10 am-12 noon, 1-3.30 pm, 6.30-8.30 pm (445 6068).
- February 27 to March 27**  
Paintings by Denise Nemtsov, North Finchley Library, Ravensdale Avenue. Normal library opening hours.
- March 4 to 24**  
Work by Finchley Art Society, Stanhope Road Adult Centre, North Finchley. Open: Mon.—Fri. 10 am-12 noon, 1-3.30 pm, 6.30-8.30 pm (445 6068).
- Until March 6**  
Finchley Art Society — selected works — Hendon Library, The Burroughs, Hendon. Normal library opening hours.

\*Goodwyn Avenue Badminton Club, Methodist Church, Goodwyn Avenue, Mill Hill, 8 pm (953 2021, ext. 82 between 9 am—5 pm).

# WHAT'S ON

## Wednesday February 17

Library Lecture, North Finchley Library, Ravensdale Avenue. Myrtle Ellis describes and illustrates some of the unique silver collections in famous country houses. 8.15 pm.  
 Woodside Park TWG, The Old Finchleians Club House, Southover, Finchley N12. 2.15 pm. (346 2095).  
 Hendon Floral Art Group, Henry Burden Hall, Egerton Gardens, Hendon. 7.30 pm. (959 6111).  
 Finchley Rotaract Club, Moss Hall Tavern, Ballards Lane, North Finchley. 8.30 pm. (349 2709).  
 Barnet & District Local History Society, Council Offices, Wood Street, Barnet. 8.15 pm. (77 54150). Illustrated lecture 'Houses and Town Development in Hertfordshire 15th-17th Centuries'.  
 Friary Ladies Club, Assembly Rooms, Colney Hatch Lane, Friern Barnet (entrance rear in Lyndhurst Avenue) 8 pm. (368 0638).  
 Lions Cillub of Finchley, Hendon Hall Hotel, Ashley Lane, Hendon. 7.30 pm. (951 2196).  
 National Trust Edgware and District Centre, John Keble Hall, Deans Lane, Edgware. 7.30 pm. Illustrated lecture 'The City of Bath' (952 2688).  
 \*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. 7.30 Beginners (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, Wil-

lifield 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 Hendon Community Centre. 2—4 pm (202 4847).  
 \*North London & District Divorced and Separated Club, St. Paul's Church Hall, High Road, New Southgate. 8 pm (360 0879).  
 \*Incognito Theatre Group, Holly Park Road, New Southgate. 8 pm. 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).  
 \*Women's Consciousness Raising Group. 8 pm. For venue telephone 200 1964.  
 \*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 February 18

Hampstead Scientific Society, Burgh House, New End Square, NW3. 8 pm. 'Satellite Communications'. (794 9341).  
 Friern Barnet Branch Labour Party, The Turrets Public House, Friern Barnet Road, New Southgate. 8.15 pm.  
 Finchley & Barnet CND AGM, All Saints School Hall, Oakleigh Road North, Whetstone. 8 pm. (449 3416).  
 Greater London Old English Sheepdog Club. Grooming/obedience training, Hendon Football Club, Claremont Road, NW2. 8 pm. (458 7028).  
 Circassian Circle Folk Dance Club, Harwood Hall, Mill Hill Broadway. 7.45 pm. (950 5756).  
 \*North Side Bridge Club, Methodist Church, High Road, East Finchley. 7.30 pm (445 7788).  
 \*Contemporary dancing, Manor Arrows Youth Club, Finchley Manorhill School, Summers Lane, North Finchley. 6.30 pm (368 8976).

## Council Meetings

Members of the public are invited to attend Council and Committee meetings in the Town Hall, Hendon, at 7 pm.  
 Monday, February 15: General Purposes.  
 Tuesday, February 16: Education.  
 Wednesday, February 17: Libraries and Arts.  
 Monday, February 22: Finance.  
 Monday, March 8: Finance.  
**Tuesday, March 9: Council meeting.**



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### Saturday February 20

John Major, GLC member for Chipping Barnet, and a Barnet Councillor, holding an Advice Bureau, 163 High Street, Barnet. 10.30 am to 12 noon (449 7345).

### Tuesday February 23

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

### Wednesday February 24

Library Lecture, Hendon Library, The Burroughs, Hendon. 'A Photographer's Eye' by John Podmore. A superbly illustrated lecture depicting wild life and nature.

Finchley Antiques Appreciation Group, Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley, N3. 7.50 pm. Mogul Court Life (906 1869/445 7247).

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

### Thursday February 25

The North London Society (Association of Certified Accountants), Royal Chase Hotel, The Ridgeway, Enfield. 'Your money or your life'. 8 pm (445 7498).

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. 1.30 pm (959 4683).

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

Barnet/Finchley Community Health Council, Friern Barnet Town Hall, N11. 7.30 pm (449 3714).

Finchley & Barnet CND, Friends Meeting House, 56 Alexandra Grove, North Finchley. 8 pm (449 3416).

Introductory talk on Eckankar, Friern Barnet Town Hall, N11 8 pm.

Bible Study conducted by Major Norman Howe, Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 7.45 pm (440 4649).

### Friday February 26

Barnet Ratepayers' and Residents' Association, WRVS Luncheon Room, Salisbury Road, Barnet. Surgery 7.30 pm; Committee meeting. 8 pm (449 0807).

### Sunday February 28

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

# WHAT'S ON

### Monday March 1

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

Finchley Chrysanthemum Society, Manorside School, Squires Lane, Finchley, N3. 8 pm. AGM (346 2974).

Finchley League of Jewish Women, Kinloss Synagogue, Kinloss Gardens, Finchley, N3. Speaker: Mrs. Woodhatch 'The Life and Times of Samuel Pepys'. 1.30 pm (882 3064).

### Tuesday March 2

**The supper and race films evening in aid of the Mayor's Appeal for research into Crohn's Disease in Childhood will now be held at Inglis Barracks, Mill Hill on Tuesday, March 2 and not Wednesday, February 24 as stated in the December issue of Civic News. The course opens at 7 pm and tickets are £5 inclusive. Contact Major E. Lyons, Inglis Barracks, Mill Hill (346 2611).**

Solo Club for widowed, divorced and single (26-60), Finchley area. 8 pm (346 7466/445 7810).

Hendon & District Archaeological Society, Hendon Library, The Burroughs. 8 pm. 'Frozen tombs of Siberia' (203 0950). Friern Barnet Friary TWG, Christ Church United Reformed Church Hall, Bellevue Road, N11. 1.45 pm (445 8011).

### Wednesday March 3

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

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

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).

Milldon Art Society, Harwood Hall, Union Church, Mill Hill. 7.30 pm. 'The importance of the foreground' (958 5126).

Barnet Evening TWG, Church House, Wood Street, Barnet. Veterinary Surgeon. 7.45 pm (449 6809).

### Thursday March 4

Hendon Afternoon TWG, Cheshir Hall, Foster Street, Hendon. 2 pm (202 6081).

Circassian Circle Folk Dance Club, Harwood Hall, Mill Hill

Broadway. 7.45 pm (959 5756).

Women's Aid monthly meeting. Contact Jean Feldman (449 4847).

Multiple Sclerosis Society (Barnet & District Branch), Friends Meeting House, Leicester Road, New Barnet. 7.30 pm. Social evening (Hathfield 64282).

### Friday March 5

The Historical Association (North London Branch), Enfield Civic Centre, Silver Street. Members' evening. Illustrated talk on 'Greece and the Greek Islands'. 7.45 pm (Lea Valley 719866).

Women's World Day of Prayer (Edgware & Mill Hill) Services. Goodwyn Avenue Methodist Church. 10.30 am; Watling United Reformed Church 2.15 pm; St. Margaret's Church, Edgware. 2.30 pm; Queensbury Methodist Church 2.30 pm; Mill Hill East Free Church 8 pm.

### Saturday March 6

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

Sydney Chapman, MP for Chipping Barnet and a Barnet Councillor holding an Advice Bureau, 163 High Street, Barnet. 10.30 am to 12 noon (449 7345).

Barnet Deanery Overseas Sabbath Church House, Wood Street, Barnet. 10.30 am to 12.30 pm (440 3859).

Friern Barnet Council for Voluntary Service Whist Drive, De Centre, Friern Barnet Lane, N11. 8 pm (368 4278).

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# WHAT'S ON

\*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 (444 5847 between 6—7 pm).

\*Finchley Chess Club, Day Centre, Etchingham 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, 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.

## Friday February 19

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

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

Chipping Barnet Conservatives 'February Festival', Selborne Hall, Southgate. Tickets and details phone 449 7345.

\*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, Finchley. 7.5p (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 (449 8200).


\*5th Hendon Boys' Brigade, Orange Hill Junior School, Hamonde Close, Edgware. 8-11 years, 6.30 pm; 11-18 years, 8 pm (952 3385).

\*Barnet Blind Bowls Club, Drill 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, Colin Close, Colindale. 2—3.30 pm. During school term (200 5375).

\*120 (Hendon) Squadron Air Training Corps, RAF Hendon, Aerodrome Road, Colindale.



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## Sunday March 7

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Public meetings conducted by Captain Priscilla Bone (Asst. Editor 'The Young Soldier'), Salvation Army Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. 10.30 am and 6.30 pm.

## Tuesday March 9

Mill Hill Flower Club, Harwood Hall, Mill Hill Broadway. 9 pm (954 4944).

National Schizophrenia Fellowship (NW London), Temple Fortune Health Centre, Temple Fortune Lane. 8 pm (455 5113).

Barnet Friends of the Earth, 72 Cranbrook Road, East Barnet. 8 pm (440 2580).

Open House — social and cultural meetings — details s.a.e. 146 Oakleigh Road South, N11.

Institute Society Arts Group, Community Room, Bigwood House, Bigwood Road, NW11. Demonstration of water colour painting. 8 pm (455 3244) Non-members 25p.

## Wednesday March 10

Finchley Antiques Appreciation Group — Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley, N3. 7.50 pm. 'Woburn Abbey' (906 1869/445 7247).

British Computer Society (North London Branch), West Lodge Park Hotel, Cockfosters Road, Hadley Wood. 8 pm. 'Forget the Rodine — cut off its tail' (363 8879).

## Saturday February 13

Tudor Orchestra, Finchley Manorhill School, Summers Lane, North Finchley. Works by Mozart, Haydn, Mendelssohn. Tickets £1.50, OAPs/students £1. 8 pm (883 6305/445 0563).

## Monday February 15

Hendon (St. Mary's) Music Society, Central Library, The Burroughs. Talk by Peter Gammond on 'The Two Worlds of Music'. 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 February 16

East Barnet Library Gramophone Society, 85 Brookhill Road, East Barnet. 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.

## Wednesday February 17

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

## Thursday February 18

Friern Barnet Library Gramophone Society, Friern Barnet Road. 'La commedia del'arte'.

Hendon Horticultural Society, Henry Burden Hall, Egerton Gardens, Hendon. 'Problems with vegetable growing'. 8 pm (346 7392).

Barnet Ceramic and Glass Society, Church Hill Primary School, Burlington Rise, East Barnet. 7.45 pm. Discussion on coloured glass (883 3961). Pensioners' Voice (Barnet Branch), Methodist Church Hall, High Street, Barnet. 1.30 pm (449 6023).

## Thursday March 11

Hampstead Scientific Society, Burgh House, New End Square, NW3. 8 pm. The President's Evening (794 9341).

Finchley & Barnet CND, Harold Fern Room, Salisbury Road, Barnet. 8 pm (449 3416).

Friern Barnet Branch Finchley Labour Party, 3 Beaconsfield Road, Friern Barnet. 8.30 pm (368 9414).

Edgware-Hendon Community Health Council, Edgware General Hospital Dining Suite. 7.30 pm. Speaker Dr. C. Hindley, of North London Hospice Group (959 2038).

Pensioners' Voice (East Finchley), East Finchley Library, High Road. 1.30 pm (444 5950).

## Friday March 12

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

Two-can Evening, All Saints Church Hall, Oakleigh Road

North, N20. Refreshments and entertainment. Admission by presentation of Two Cans (food or drink). Proceeds donated to Church of England Children's Society 7.45 pm.

## Saturday March 13

British Tinnitus Association (NW London), The Meritage Club, Church End, Hendon 1.30 pm.

## LATE ENTRIES

### Mondays

\*Hampstead Garden Suburb Friendship Club, Hampstead Garden Suburb Synagogue Hall, Norrice Lea, N2. 1.30 pm (794 9538).

### Wednesdays

\*Finchley Sea Cadets, boys and girls 12-18, Long Lane HQ, Finchley. 7.30—9 pm (445 5590).

### Fridays

\*Finchley Sea Cadets, boys and girls 12-18, Long Lane HQ, Finchley. 7.30—9 pm (445 5590).

## Thursday, February 18

League of Friends of Colindale Hospital AGM, Colindale Hospital (coffee lounge), Colindale Avenue. 7.30 pm for 8 pm (205 2621).

## Wednesday February 24

Mill Hill Horticultural and Allot-

ment Society AGM, Primary Hall, Union Church, Mill Hill, followed by 'Gardeners' Question Time'. 8 pm (959 5623).

## Saturday February 27

PDSA Animal Treatment Centre Jumble Sale, St. Mary's Church House, Greyhound Hill, Hendon. 10.30 am to 12.30 pm.

## Thursday March 4

Women's Institute — Inaugural meeting to form a new morning Women's Institute in High Barnet at the Methodist Church Hall, High Street, Barnet. 9.30 am. Young mums welcome, creche available (St. Albans 53337).

Probus Club of Finchley, Finchley Bowling Club, Etchingham Park Road, Finchley, N3. 'The work at St. Dunstons'. 11 am (445 4727).

## Friday March 5

Women's World Day of Prayer: St. James' Church, East Barnet Road. 10.30 am. Speaker: Mrs. Linda Taylor. Creche available (449 0319).

St. Albans Parish Church, North End Road, Golders Green. 2.30 pm.

## Wednesday March 10

Barnet Association for the Advancement of State Education AGM, The Teachers' Centre, Percy Road, North Finchley, followed by general discussion on issues to be raised

with candidates at forthcoming Borough Council election. 8 pm (346 0358).

## Saturday March 13

Barnet & Finchley Save the Children Fund Spring Fair, Methodist Church Hall, High Street, Barnet. 10 am—12.30 pm (449 6756).

Antiques Fair to be run by the Arkley Association, Village Hall, Brickfield Lane, Barnet. Road, Arkley. 2—6 pm. Admission, adults 20p, children 10p. (449 7948).

Christian Aid for Poland coffee morning, Upper Hall, Church House, Wood Street, Barnet. 1.3 am to 12 noon. Bring a Buy produce stall (449 9992).

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### Sundays

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

\*Rock and Blues, Torrington Arms, Lodge Lane, High Road, North Finchley. 8.30 pm (449 4710).

### Thursdays

\*Bob Guthrie Jazzmen, The Queen's Head, 248 Regent Park Road, Finchley, N3. 8.30 pm (346 1012).

### Fridays

\*Bob Guthrie Jazzmen, Hendon Way Wine Bar and Pub. 8.30 pm (346 1012).

## March 2—6

Boreham Wood Operatic Society presents 'The Pirates of Penzance', Civic Theatre, Borehamwood. 7.45 pm. Tickets £1.40 to £2.25 (953 9872).

## Thursday March 4

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

## Saturday March 6

Music in Central Square, Jude-on-the-Hill, NW11. Haydn 250th birthday concert — chamber music, vocal and piano items. Admission £1. 8 pm.

Barnet College Concert, College Hall, Fitzjohn Avenue, Barnet. Serenata Notturna. 7.30 pm (449 2916/953 8413/449 6321).

New Barnet Salvation Army Corps Singing Company, Citadel, Albert Road, New Barnet. Artists: Bandmaster Mervyn Weaver (cornet) and Mrs. Eileen Weaver and family. 7 pm (449 4649).

## Tuesday March 9

Hendon Library Gramophone Society, The Burroughs. 7.30 pm (202 5625).

## Saturday March 13

Finchley Chamber Orchestra, Finchley Manorhill School, Summers Lane, North Finchley. Rodrigo Guitar Concerto and Mozart. 7.45 pm (449 2176).

Barnet and District Choral Society, Queen Elizabeth's School, Barnet. Works by Orff and Tippett. 7.45 pm (449 7760).

# Music in Barnet

8.10 pm (368 2680).

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

## Friday February 19

The Metropolitan Police Male Voice Choir, Ballards Lane Methodist Church, Finchley, N3. Works include the Soldiers' Chorus from Faust, a Beatles number and a tribute to Dixon of Dock Green. Admission £1 (346 0915).

## Saturday February 20

Finchley Choral Society, St. Mary-at-Finchley Church, Hendon Lane, Finchley N3. Works by Handel, Holst and Mozart. 7.45 pm (445 0932/8401). Hendon Salvation Army Band Spring Festival, Citadel,

Brampton Grove, Hendon. 7 pm.

The Hanover Choir and Chamber Orchestra, East Finchley Methodist Church, High Road. Works by Schubert and Mozart. Admission £1.50, students/OAPs £1. 7.30 pm.

'Cornerstone' — the Finchley Christian Bookshop presents Nell Hall Wycherley in an evening of songs and readings, Christ Church, North Finchley. 7.30 pm. Admission £1.75, students/OAPs £1.25 (446 0592).

## Sunday February 21

Mind in Barnet Fund Raising Committee present the Dave Shepherd Quintet (an evening of swing), Production Village, 100 Cricklewood Lane, NW2. £5, 'including supper.' 7 pm

## Tuesday February 23

Hendon Library Gramophone Society, The Burroughs, Hendon. 'Legends of King Arthur and the Holy Grail'. 7.30 pm (202 5625).

## Saturday February 27

Finchley Chamber Choir, Finchley Methodist Church, Ballards Lane, N3. Works by Byrd and Britten. 8 pm (959 2681). Hendon (St. Mary's) Music Society, Hendon Methodist Church, The Burroughs. Tommy Reilly (harmonica) and James Moody (piano). 7.30 pm (959 1257).

## Tuesday March 2

East Barnet Library Gramophone Society, 85 Brookhill Road. 8 pm. The first forty years of sound recording (440 4376).

# Local Theatre Guide

## February 13

Richard Burrows' presentation of Grace Abounding based on John Bunyan's writings and imprisonment, Old Bull Theatre, 68 High Street, Barnet. 7 pm & 9.30 pm (449 0048).

## February 24 to 27

The Harlequin Players present a pantomime 'Old King Cole', Hartley Hall, Flower Lane, Mill Hill. 8

pm. (Mats. Thurs. & Fri. 3 pm, Sat. 1.30 and 5 pm (360 1104).

## February 25 to 27

Hampstead Garden Suburb Dramatic Society present 'Clouds' by Michael Frayn, Bigwood House Hall, Bigwood Road, NW11. Admission £1.30. 8 pm (455 8204).

## March 4 to 6

The Good Companions pre-

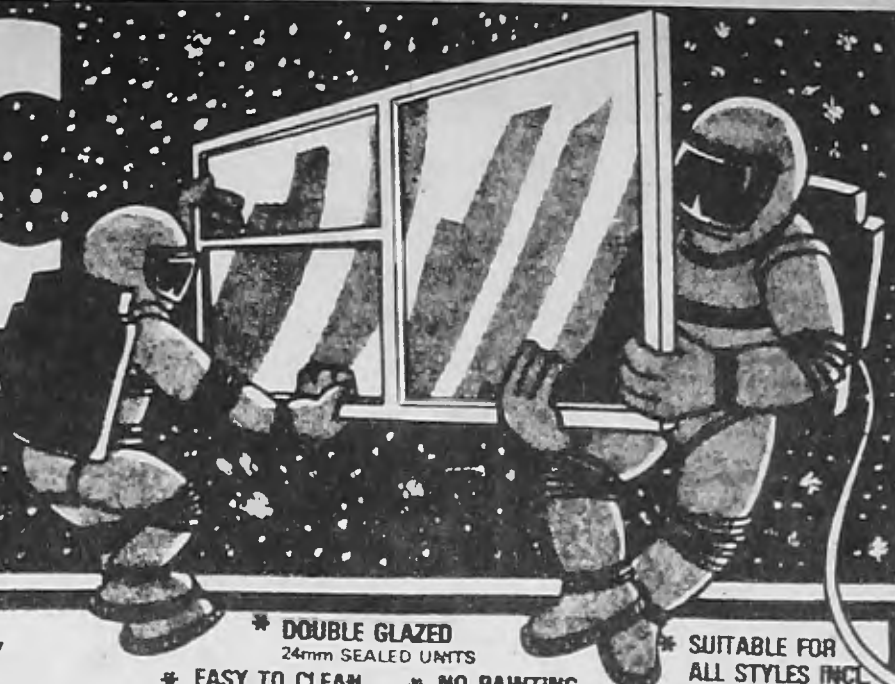
sent 'Dandy Dick' by Arthur Wing Pinero (Victorian Farce), John Keble Hall, Deans Lane, Edgware. 8 pm. Tickets £1.30, £1.50 (959 4316).

## March 6

Women's Theatre Group (professional touring company) present 'Hard Times', Old Bull Theatre, 68 High Street, Barnet. 8 pm (449 0048).

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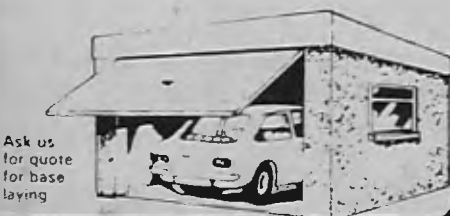
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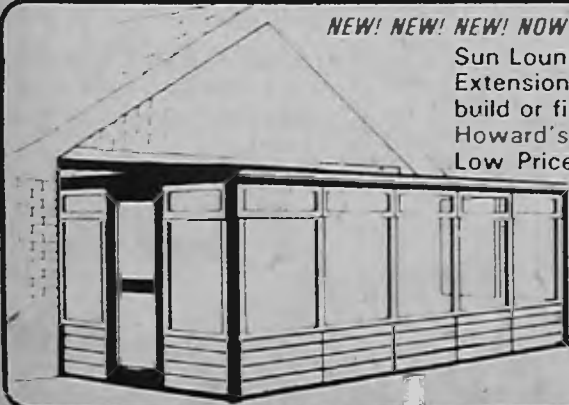
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Little is known of the early years as all records have been lost; but research traces its foundation to 1885 and three significant dates are recorded.

In 1930 the neighbouring Chandos Lawn Tennis Club closed and amalgamated with Oakleigh Park bringing greater strength to the club.

In 1931 the owner of the club's ground, J. Sweet and Sons, who ran the adjoining nursery garden, announced they were not prepared to renew the lease — but they would sell. The Committee, showing great vision, bought the land for £1,500.

Peacetime, war-time and post-war years, the club ran smoothly, until, in 1975, came a major development which really shaped the

club as it is today. After considerable debate it was decided to add squash to the activities. Two courts were built together with a new club house under the presidency of Dennis Nicholson. This attracted 250 squash members and under the guidance of Les Stewart, the first squash captain, and Derek Cheek, the section flourished.

Increased momentum came with the building of two more squash courts opened by the Prime Minister in December 1980 and the influx of a further 225 members.

The club runs four men's squash teams, as well as teams for ladies, veterans and juniors. The men's first team gained entry into the prestigious Cumberland Cup Competition, having fought its way from division five to division two in just six years. It has a strong following of supporters to encourage the team both home and away.

Yet costs are kept at a modest level. Squash membership fee is £44 with court fees of 60p for 40 minutes.

The recently formed junior section under Peter Hollins is now 40 strong with a waiting list. It is the nursery for tomorrow's club champions and its players have already gained county and national recognition.

In the club itself keen rivalry is fostered by the internal league system which caters for players of all ages and standards. From the out-

set these leagues have been run single-handed by Len Greenslade and all members — top players included — take part.

Tennis is still very much part of the lifestyle at Oakleigh Park. The floodlit, all-weather courts encourage play all year round and the club hosts a floodlit league for other club teams in the area.

Key figures on the tennis side are Alf Martiner on the men's side and Celia Ede and Wendy Stewart for the ladies. The ladies have been particularly successful in recent years and are now in division two of the Middlesex Cup knock-out competition having won promotion two seasons running. Jill McCluskey of the ladies' first team is also the qualified club coach.

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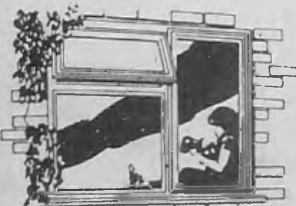
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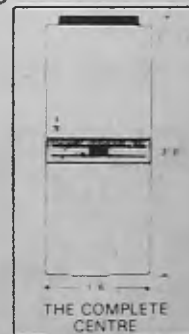
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Reference ADM/E/255

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Reference ADM/E/S/161/2.2.1.

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Reference ADM/E/S 174

**Application forms from Director of Educational Services, Town Hall, Friern Barnet, N11 3DL. Tel: 01-368 1255, ext. 224.**

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**Application forms from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department, Gateway House, 322 Regents Park Road, Finchley, London, N3 2LP, to be returned by the 26th February, 1982.**

Reference 199

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Reference 135

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Reference 112

**Application forms from Room 46, Borough Treasurer's Department, Town Hall, Hendon, London, NW4 4BG, telephone number 202 8282, Ext. 120.**

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THE NUMBER of staff employed by Barnet Council fell by 148 during the three months between June and September 1981. And for the full year the number of employees fell by 416.

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# BARNET COUNCIL MANPOWER

SERVICE	OFFICER STAFF			MANUAL STAFF			TOTAL NUMBER EMPLOYED	CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS QUARTER	CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS YEAR
	F/T	P/T	F.T.E.	F/T	P/T	F.T.E.			
Education Department									
(a) Teachers/Lecturers	2643 (2686)	846 (835)	346.9 —	—	—	—	3489 (3521)	-32	-68
(b) Other employees	593 (591)	524 (518)	176.6 —	423 (432)	1842 (1870)	670.5 —	3382 (3411)	-29	-159
Construction	129 (128)	—	—	357 (374)	—	—	468 (502)	-16	-37
Social Services	537 (543)	98 (93)	49.7 —	327 (326)	513 (511)	246.6 —	1475 (1473)	+2	-34
Libraries & Museums	158 (163)	59 (59)	29.5 —	15 (15)	22 (24)	11.5 —	254 (261)	-7	+10
Recreation, Parks & Baths	43 (44)	—	—	376 (390)	9 (22)	3 —	428 (456)	-28	-67
Environmental Health	62 (61)	3 (3)	1.5 —	38 (40)	8 (9)	3.5 —	111 (113)	-2	-8
Refuse Disposal & Collection	9 (9)	—	—	211 (272)	—	—	220	-61	-70
Housing Department	181 (171)	10 (7)	6 —	58 (58)	27 (23)	8 —	276 (259)	+17	+17
Town & Country Planning	122 (114)	4 (2)	2.5 —	—	1 (1)	0.5 —	127 (117)	+10	+11
<b>Central Services</b>									
Chief Executive	7 (7)	—	—	—	—	—	7 (7)	—	-1
Finance	213 (214)	14 (12)	8.7 —	2 (2)	—	—	229 (228)	+1	-5
Secretarial	131 (131)	9 (9)	5.6 —	4 (4)	17 (17)	7.3 —	161 (161)	—	-2
Legal	39 (38)	2 (2)	1 —	—	—	—	41 (40)	+1	+2
Engineering	179 (178)	2 (2)	1.6 —	266 (263)	32 (32)	14 —	479 (475)	+4	+5
Architectural	59 (61)	—	—	—	—	—	59	-2	-6
Estates	26 (26)	2 (2)	1 —	—	2 (2)	0.8 —	30 (30)	—	—
Personnel	14 (16)	1 (1)	0.7 —	—	—	—	15 (17)	-2	-7
Management Services	19 (20)	—	—	—	—	—	19 (20)	-1	+3
Computer	41 (41)	4 (4)	2.6 —	—	—	—	45 (45)	—	+1
Rent Officer	17 (17)	1 (1)	0.8 —	—	—	—	18 (18)	—	+1
Registrars	11 (11)	1 (1)	0.5 —	— (1)	2 (3)	1 —	14 (16)	-2	-3
Consumer Protection Weights and Measures Trading Standards	19 (19)	—	—	—	1 (1)	0.5 —	20 (20)	—	—
Other Services (Crematorium/ Cemetery — Allotments)	5 (5)	2 (2)	1 —	15 (16)	3 (3)	0.3 —	25 (26)	-1	+1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>5257 (5294)</b>	<b>1582 (1553)</b>	<b>636.2 —</b>	<b>2092 (2193)</b>	<b>2479 (2518)</b>	<b>967.5 —</b>	<b>11410 (11558)</b>	<b>-148</b>	<b>-416</b>

Abbreviations: F/T — Full-time; P/T — Part-time; F.T.E. — Full-time equivalent. (Full-time equivalent not available for June quarter)


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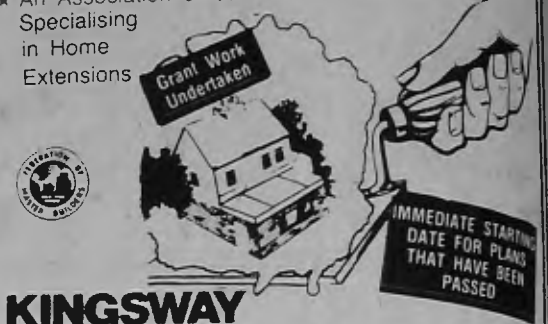
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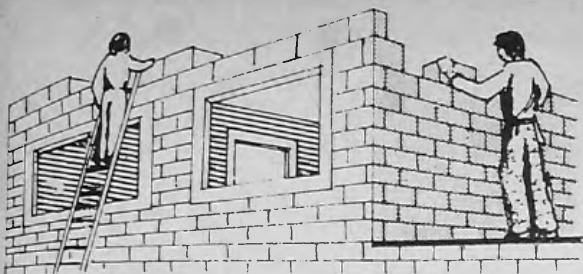
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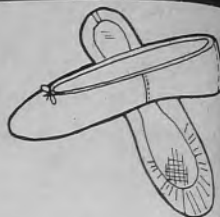
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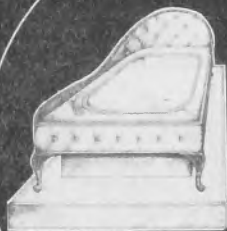
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