



ENVIRONMENT WEEK 1988



Once again the Residents Association is preparing to launch a wide cross-section of events for Environment Week (from 23 April to 2 May inclusive). The theme of the week will be "Trees", but we are equally concerned to smarten up the whole Suburb, and there will be intensive "blitz" on litter in the Suburb during Environment Week and in the weeks preceding it. Litter bags will be distributed in as many roads as practicable. Please help to clear all street litter in front of your home. Full bags will be picked up from collection points arranged nearby.

We have reluctantly had to postpone our plans for a mass re-planting of willows along Mutton Brook, having been advised by the Borough's tree experts that trees planted in the autumn stand more chance of survival than if they are planted in the late spring: so Environment Week will be extended to mid-October, and due notice will be given to residents as to when the "plant in" will take place.

However, it will be possible to plant two line trees near the Henrietta Barnett Memorial in Central Square to complete the avenue which runs across from the Institute. This planting will be done by our MP, John Marshall, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, 23 April, and we hope a good number of residents will turn out to see him wielding the Ceremonial Spade!

Continuing with the Trees theme, we have invited four schools on the Suburb (Henrietta Barnett, Brookland Junior, Garden Suburb Junior and the Kerem School) to encourage their pupils to submit photographic prints of a tree or trees, and we shall be awarding substantial prizes for the best photographs in two classes; under 11's; and 11-16's. Mr. Lawrence Gould-Hacker, of the Hendon Photographic Society, has agreed to judge the entries, and we hope to display the winning photographs in the Tea-House during Environment Week. We shall also have on display at the Tea-House photographs taken by residents immediately following the "hurricane" last October, giving some idea of the damage suffered by Suburb trees.

In the Tea-House (on the afternoons of 24 and 30 April, and 1 and 2 May) we shall also have other things for you to look at. The Suburb Archivist, Brigid Grafton Green, is putting together a collection of slides which will depict the history of the Suburb; there will, we hope, be some films with an "environmental" flavour, together with our own Suburb film. And there will, of course, be teas — proper teas this year, with cakes, not just biscuits.

On the two Sundays (24 April and 1 May) we shall again be organising the "Town Trail Walks" led by our knowledgeable guides, Chris Kellerman and Stuart Gray. These walks were very popular last year, and we hope they will be well supported again this year — especially, perhaps, by people who have moved into the Suburb in the intervening twelve months.

The evening of Tuesday, 26 April, will be very interesting: talks on Suburb trees by Messrs. Swabey (London Borough of Barnet) and George (the Trust's Landscape Consultant) who will both be prepared to answer questions. Then, after a short interval with a free glass of wine for all, Cyril and Violet Luckham will present "A Celebration of Trees". Those who have heard the Luckhams in the past will know that we are in for a rare treat. The whole evening will be chaired by Gerald Priestland.

On the evening of Thursday, 28 April, at the Free Church Hall in Northway at 8 p.m. there will be a meeting entitled "Permission Granted?". This will consist of a question and answer session and will attempt to clarify the procedures for obtaining approval to proposals for the alteration, extension, or rebuilding of properties in Hampstead Garden Suburb. The meeting will be under the Chairmanship of Tony Mandelson (Chairman of the Residents Association), and to answer your questions there will be on the platform Wilfred Court MA, FRIBA, Architect to the

Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents Association Programme of Events for Environment Week 1988

Saturday, 23 April

10 a.m., Central Square

Our MP, John Marshall, plants two lime trees near to the Henrietta Barnett Memorial.

8 p.m., The Institute Theatre, Central Square

Hampstead Garden Suburb Dramatic Society presents "Veronica's Room", a thriller by Ira Levin.

Sunday, 24 April

2.30 p.m., Wyldes Farm (junction Hampstead Way/Wildwood Road)

Chris Kellerman, New Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust Manager, leads the Hampstead Garden Suburb Town Trail Walk.

2 to 5.30 p.m., The Tea-House, Northway

Film shows, exhibitions of slides and photographs and other Suburb memorabilia. TEAS available.

Monday, 25 April

8 p.m., The Institute Hall, Central Square

"The Prevention of Crime on the Suburb". Presentation by the Metropolitan Police, in collaboration with the Resident Association and the Suburb Neighbourhood Watches.

Tuesday, 26 April

8 p.m., The Free Church Hall, Northway

"Trees: Their Problems and Pleasures". A meeting in two parts, with GERALD PRIESTLAND in the Chair —

Part 1: Messrs. George and Swabey talk, and answer questions, on Suburb trees.

Part 2: Cyril and Violet Luckham present "A Celebration of Trees".

Wednesday, 27 April

8 p.m., The Institute Hall, Central Square

Dame Henrietta Barnett Memorial Lecture — "The Three J's — Judges, Juries and Justice". His Honour Judge John Black TD.

Thursday, 28 April

8 p.m., The Free Church Hall, Northway

"Permission Granted?" A question and answer session, dealing with the approval of building proposals in Hampstead Garden Suburb. TONY MANDELSON in the Chair, with Wilfred Court MA, FRIBA, Architect to the Trust; Norman Wheatley FRICS, Chairman of the Conservation Area Advisory Committee; David Morrison, Chairman of CONSAM; and Eddie Caplin, R.A. representative on the Property and Plans Committee of the Trust.

Saturday, 30 April

9.15 a.m. to 12.15 p.m., Henrietta Barnett School (Bigwood House)

Children's Music Making: The Youth Music Centre's classes will be open to visitors.

2 to 5.30 p.m., The Tea-House, Northway

The Tea-House will be open for TEAS and various EXHIBITIONS (see 24 April).

8 p.m., The Tea-House, Northway

"Our England is a Garden?": Entertainment by Patchwork.

Sunday, 1 May

2.30 p.m., Arcade House (junction Hampstead Way/Finchley Road)

Stuart Gray leads the Hampstead Garden Suburb Town Trail Walk.

2 to 5.30 p.m., The Tea-House, Northway

The Tea-House will be open for TEAS and various EXHIBITIONS (see 24 April).

Sunday, 2 May

2 to 5.30 p.m., The Tea-House, Northway

The Tea-House will be open for TEAS and various EXHIBITIONS (see 24 April).

Trust; Norman Wheatley FRICS, Chairman of the Conservation Area Advisory Committee (London Borough of Barnet); David Morrison BA, FRIBA, Chairman of the R.A.'s Conservation and Amenities Committee; and Edward Caplin, who represents the R.A. on the Property and Plans Committee of the Trust.

Residents are invited to submit questions in writing to David Morrison at 138 Willifield Way, NW11 6YD, but this will not preclude questions from the floor during the meeting.

On Saturday morning, 30 April, the Youth Music Centre will open the doors of Bigwood House and invite residents to "sit in" on young people's music making. Elizabeth Kingsley writes —

"The Youth Music Centre has been concerned with children's music-making for over fifteen years. Based in Hampstead Garden Suburb it has drawn in children from the immediate environment, and word has spread abroad so that children have come from as far as a Cambridgeshire hamlet to make music in a uniquely enjoyable way for ten Saturday mornings throughout a normal school term.

"The emphasis of YMC is that children, from the tender age of two years, shall enjoy the beginnings of music-making together. We have a staff of professional musicians who are also specialist teachers. Pitch and rhythm groups for the tinies; recorder, brass, wind, violin and cello groups; Beginner Orchestra through to String Orchestra and Wind Ensemble — all happen on Saturday mornings at Henrietta Barnett School. We, at YMC, welcome the opportunity to show prospective parents, interested musicians, teachers and anyone concerned about young people and music, the very best in teaching and enjoyment of music-making.

"Many of today's fine young instrumental soloists and orchestral players found their love of music as young children at Youth Music Centre."

On the evening of Saturday, 30 April, another "treat". "Patchwork" will be entertaining us under the title "Our England is a Garden?" Mollie and Edward Cattle write:

"Patchwork" is the name we have given to a group of older members of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Dramatic Society who have got together to give programmes of words and songs, usually in aid of charity.

"Since we got together in 1982 we have been delighted to include Catherine Williams, who plays for us; and Fiona Riem, who sings.

"Our basic members are Nora Packer, Sarah Falk, Hugh Eliot, Martin Hamlyn, and Edward and Mollie Cattle."

Other events, not strictly connected with Environment Week, but included in our programme because they "happen to be happening" that week are —

The Hampstead Garden Suburb's production of "Veronica's Room" a thriller by Ira Levin (Saturday evening, 23 April, in the Institute Theatre).

The Dame Henrietta Barnett Memorial Lecture by His Honour Judge John Slack TD on "The Three J's — Judges, Juries and Justice" (Wednesday evening, 27 April, in the Institute Hall).

"The Prevention of Crime on the Suburb" — The first annual presentation by the Metropolitan Police for Suburb residents given by Chief Superintendent B.J. Luckhurst and staff of the Metropolitan Police, Golders Green, at the Institute Hall, Central Square, on Monday, 25 April.

In connection with the last meeting, Peter Loyd writes — *"The evening will consist of an introduction by the Chief Superintendent; an exposition of crime statistics for the previous year; "Positive Steps" a video-film for women; motor vehicle crime and its prevention; "Be Safe" a video-film for elderly people; Home Beat policy and Neighbourhood Watch schemes; "plans for the future" by the Chief Superintendent; and questions and discussion.*

"Please come in good time to make sure of a seat".

All that remains now is for you — the residents of Hampstead Garden Suburb — to support these events: a great deal of hard work has gone into organising them.