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The Marriage of Figaro

Hampstead Garden Opera, for their tenth production at the Institute Theatre in March, staged Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro*, with which they began life in 1991. The theatre was full to capacity for both Saturday performances.

The *Ham and High* singled out for praise Suburb resident Colin Jaque - "a splendid characterisation as the supercilious Dr Bartolo" Craig Turpie, "as Figaro, was warm-toned and had just the right self-assurance for the role". "But in a league of her own was Lindsay Bramley, as Marcellina. Very much the fruity mezzo, her intonation and diction were exemplary. She ought to be singing for English National Opera and nurtured eventually into one of their principals."

The principal roles were double cast with Paul van Gastel and Craig Turpie as Figaro, Jean Aird and Maria Carranza as Susanna, John Dawsell and David Rose as Count Almaviva, Paola Quaglia and Helen Gilheany as Countess Almaviva and Dawn Allan and Vivienne Trenner as Cherubino. Production was by Angela Dixon and the performances with the Crowndale Orchestra were conducted by Roy Budden.

The group's next opera at the Institute will be Johann Strauss's *Die Fledermaus* (23-26 October 1996) followed by Verdi's *Aida* in March 1997.

Singers interested in joining the company are invited to contact Roy Budden on 346 2080.

Keith Martin



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12km walk for Hospice

Sunshine and spring flowers greeted the sponsored North London Hospice supporters as they made their way for 7.5 miles through the London parks from East Finchley to Westminster.

The Mayor of Barnet, Cllr Suzette Palmer, and her escort Monroe Palmer cut the ribbon as John Marshall MP, a strong Hospice supporter, and North West Support Group Chairman, Dr Chris Donovan, headed the 130 strong band of walkers under

the leadership of Harold Karton of the Connoisseurs Walking Club.

The first check-point on Haverstock Hill, Belsize Park, brought the Mayor of Camden, Dr Deshmukh, to greet and chat with the walkers. Lunch-time was at Regents Park with sandwiches and drinks for all. The walk ended at Storeys Gate, Westminster, with many congratulations from John Marshall and Health Minister John Bowis MP.

Gillian Newman



The Mayor of Barnet Cllr Suzette Palmer with centre John Marshall MP and (right) Mr Harold Karton of Creswick Walk the Big Fun Walk leader



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WHAT'S ON



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Residents Association Council Meeting, First Tuesday of every month, 8.00 pm. Residents' Question time 8.30. Fellowship House, Willifield Way.

ST JUDE'S. Parish Church of St Jude-on-the-Hill, Central Square. Sunday services 8 and 10 am. Vicar, Rev Alan Walker, 455 7206.

HGS Free Church, Central Square. Sunday Services 11 am (and 6.30 pm when announced). Junior Church and Baby Creche, 11 am. Minister Rev Tony Spring, 455 4509

HGS Townswomen's Guild meets first Monday in each month (excluding Bank Holidays), 2 pm. St Jude's Church Rooms. Mrs M. Argue 455 5073.

Golders Green Unitarians. Worship Service 11 am (Evening Fellowship, 6.30 pm). Thursdays - Coffee, quizzes, slideshows etc, 10.30 am - 12.00 pm. Green Forum first Sunday every month, 6.30 pm. Circle Dancing Third Friday in each month, 8.30 - 9.30 pm. All events at 31 1/2 Hoop Lane.

Suburb Bridge Club meets at the Community Room, Henrietta Barnett School, on Tuesdays, 7.30 pm for partnership bridge rubber bridge. Duplicate bridge is played on second Tuesday of every month, 7.15 pm. Membership, Mrs Maureen Page on 0181 348 4567.

For information on Playgroups, Organisations and Societies please refer to the Residents Association's Suburb Directory, delivered to every household or available from your Membership Representative. List available from the Suburb Library and the Garden Suburb Gallery.

MAY

The Croquet Club started in July 1995 and plays in a quiet haven behind Fellowship House - almost idyllic! Play starts in May, Monday to Friday evenings, 6 pm. Saturday morning only. Contact Janette Harris, 455 7269 or Alan Lawson, 458 3827.

- 4 HGS Free Church, Drop-in coffee morning All welcome. Free Church Hall, Northway, 10.30 - noon.
- 4 HGS Free Church, 'Car Wash'. Proceeds to charity. Free Church car park, 10 am - noon.
- 11 HGS Free Church, concert. Mozart's Requiem. Free Church, Central Square, 7.30 pm.
- 11 Scrabble Club, Fellowship House, 2 - 5 pm. Session fee £1 includes tea and biscuits. Contact Alan Lawson, 458 3827.
- 11&12 HGS Institute, 'The Play of the Hand'. (2 day bridge course). Tea House, Northway. Sat. and Sun. 10 am - 4 pm.
- 12 Pavilion Children's Centre, Summer Festival, Lyttelton Playing Fields, Kingsley Way, 2 - 5 pm. Sponsored by Litchfields estate agents (free entrance). Contact Laura Barnet, 458 8925 for further details.
- 13 HGS Townswomen's Guild, visit from Garston Bird Shelter, St Jude's Church Rooms, 2 pm.
- 13 North London Hospice. Hospice 'At Home', talk on the Globe Theatre by Michael Levete, 7.30 for 8 pm. Tickets £6. Wine £1 per glass. Limited numbers due to space. Contact Hospice office, 343 8841.
- 14 League of Jewish Women, meeting, 1.45 pm. Contact 959 1047.
- 14-18 Manor House Hospital Operatic Society, 'Tom Jones', music by Edward German. Institute, Central Square. Concessions except Saturday, 7.30 pm. Box office, 346 3244.
- 16 HGS Free Church, Thursday Fellowship. Talk by Mary Bennett, 'How household names come to be'. Free Church Hall, Northway, 2.30 pm.
- 18 The Children's Society, May Fair. Free Church, Central Square, 2 pm.
- 18 Horticultural Society, Plant sale. Fellowship House, 11 am.
- 18 Abbeyfield Coffee Morning, Abbeyfield House, Homesfield, Erskine Hill, 10 am - noon.
- 19 HGS Free Church, Junior Church Festival. Free Church, Central Square, 11 am.
- 20 Golders Green Unitarians, Poetry Group. 6 Denman Drive, NW11, 8 pm.
- 23 HGS Floral Arrangement Club, demonstration by Jean Crane, 'Floralmania'. Fellowship House, 7.30 pm. Entrance £3. Raffle for demonstration.
- 25 Scrabble Club. Fellowship House, 2 - 5 pm. Contact Alan Lawson, 458 3827.
- 25 Family Holiday Association. Fete on the Square.
- 28 National Council of Women of GB, Annual Business Meeting. 60 Rotherwick Road, NW11, 2 pm.

JUNE

- Golders Green Unitarians, every Saturday in June. Lunch in the garden for local charities (in hall if wet). 31 1/2 Hoop Lane, NW11, 12.30 - 1.30 pm.**
- 1 HGS Free Church, drop-in coffee morning. All welcome. Free Church Hall, Northway, 10.30 am - noon.
- 1 NW Support Group, North London Hospice coffee morning. Temple Fortune Medical Practice, Temple Fortune Lane, 11.30 am.
- 1&2 North London Hospice, Sunflowers in garden centres. Collectors needed. Contact Hospice office, 343 8841.
- 2 Metropolitan Police Open Day. Golders Green Police Station, 1069 Finchley Road, NW11, 10 am - 4 pm.
- 3 HGS Townswomen's Guild, First Aid updated with Dr Jean Hill. St Jude's Church Rooms, 2 pm.
- 5 North London Hospice, Sunflowers at Brent Cross. Collectors needed. Contact Hospice office, 343 8841.
- 6 HGS Free Church, Thursday Fellowship. Talk by Daisy Stonhold, 'Early Years on the Suburb'. Free Church Hall, Northway, 2.30 pm.
- 8 Scrabble Club, Fellowship House, 2 - 5 pm. Contact Alan Lawson, 458 3827.
- 8 North London Hospice, Sunflowers in Marks & Spencer, NW11. Collectors needed. Contact Yvonne Oliver, 455 8741.
- 22 North London Hospice, Day at the Races - Ascot. Details to be announced. Contact Carmel Smedley, 959 1183.
- 22 Concert in aid of Family Holiday Association by Cannock Chase Orpheus Choir, Free Church, Central Square. Details 455 1777.
- 22 Scrabble Club, Fellowship House, 2 - 5 pm. Contact Alan Lawson, 458 3827.
- 23 Farm Walk Tennis Club, annual tournament finals. Farm Walk, NW11, 11 am - 4.30 pm.
- 25-30 **Proms at St Jude's.** (see article on page 3).
- 25 League of Jewish Women, meeting, 1.45 pm. Contact 959 1047.
- 27 HGS Floral Arrangement Club. Floral demonstration by Graham Harmer, 'SOAPS'. Fellowship House, 7.30 pm. Visitors welcome. Entrance £3. Raffle for demonstration.
- 28&29 Garden Suburb Theatre, 'Love's Labour's Lost' by William Shakespeare. Little Oak Wood Open Theatre, Addison Way, NW11. **28th, 7.30 pm; 29th, 3 pm and 7.30 pm.** Enquiries, 455 6669.
- 29 Horticultural Society, Summer Flower and Vegetable Show. Free Church Hall, 3 - 5.30 pm. Teas served in Small Hall.
- 29 Apollo Male Voice Choir, Summer Serenade in aid of Imperial Cancer Research Fund. HGS Institute, Central Square, tickets £7 (£5 concessions), doors open 7.15 pm, concert starts 7.45 pm. Box office, 866 9995.

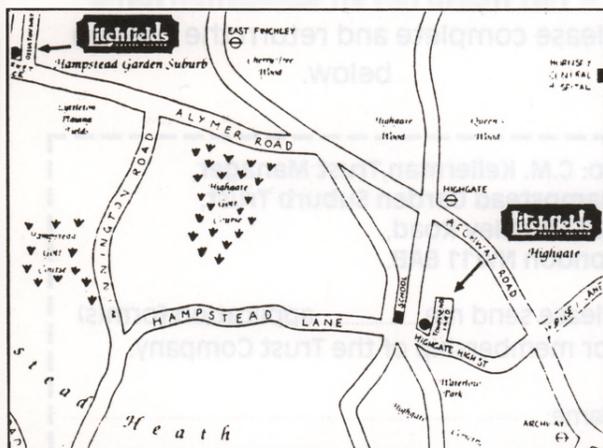
JULY

- Golders Green Unitarians, every Saturday in July. Lunch in the garden for local charities (in hall if wet). 31 1/2 Hoop Lane, NW11, 12.30 - 1.30 pm.**
 - 1 HGS Townswomen's Guild, 'Animal Welfare', talk and discussion with Meat and Livestock Commission. St Jude's Church Rooms, 2 pm.
 - 3-6 Garden Suburb Theatre, 'Love's Labour's Lost' by William Shakespeare. Little Oak Wood Open Theatre, Addison Way, NW11. **3rd, 4th and 5th, 7.30 pm; 6th, 3 pm and 7.30 pm.** Enquiries, 455 6669.
 - 6 HGS Free Church, drop-in coffee morning. All welcome. Free Church Hall, Northway, 10.30 am - noon.
 - 6 Scrabble Club, Fellowship House, 2 - 5 pm. Contact Alan Lawson, 458 3827.
 - 16 League of Jewish Women, meeting, 1.45 pm. Contact 959 1047.
 - 18 HGS Floral Arrangement Club, Floral demonstration by June Tunmore, 'Come travel with me'. Fellowship House, 7.30 pm. Entrance £3. Raffle for demonstration.
 - 20 Scrabble Club, Fellowship House, 2 - 5 pm. Contact Alan Lawson, 458 3827.
 - 23 National Council of Women of G.B. Outing to be arranged.
 - 24 NW Support Group, North London Hospice. AGM, Fellowship House, 8 - 10 pm.
- DEADLINE for the Summer Issue June 15 for publication on July 20. Items for 'What's On' column to B Bliss, 1 Kingsley Close, N2 0ES. Contributions and letters to the editor, R J Wakefield, 26 Hampstead Way, NW11 7JL.**
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