

Suburb News

Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents Association



A thoughtful Josh Waxman volunteers at Community Orchard tree planting, page 12



HGS RA congratulates Her Majesty on her Platinum Jubilee, page 11



The Suburb loses a very dear friend, page 4

As seasons change

THE EDITORS

With covid officially over and life settling back to normal, it's been a very busy few months in the Suburb. We bade farewell to Father Alan Walker (St Judes's) and Revd Dr Ian Tutton (Free Church) and wish them both the very best for the future. Among others, we sadly lost beloved residents, David Littaur, Jean Neal, Richard Wiseman and Janet Elliott who all made wonderful contributions to our community. Culture abounded with the Echo Ensemble's world premiere

of Noah Max's Babel at Fellowship House, the Proms at St. Jude's 30th year anniversary season launch and the HGS Art Fair (of which more in the next issue). The Free Church also hosted the North London Festival of Music, Speech & Drama. And, if photography is your thing, please do enter the Suburb News 2022 Photographic Competition (details on p.9). Myke Jacobs finally made it to Rome, the first trees were planted in the Henrietta Community Orchard, and the HGS Open Gardens will soon, once again, be open to the public - luckily the Garden Girl,

Caroline Broome, gives us her invaluable summer garden tips. This issue also includes the pull out and keep Suburb Directory with loads of updated useful information so you have everything you need at a glance. Finally, we can't not mention the Platinum Jubilee! Unfortunately our copy date meant we couldn't include all the wonderful local celebrations in this issue but please send photos of your street parties and we will include these in the September issue. We wish all of our readers a lovely summer.



Both Revd. Dr. Ian Tutton (above) and Father Alan Walker (below) celebrated their last Service before retirement (full stories, p2).



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Can Fellowship help you?

ANDREW BOTTERILL

In 1910 when Fellowship was founded, a key part of its mission was to give financial assistance to Suburb residents in genuine need. Times have moved on, demographics have changed and that part of our activity has reduced as we have developed into

an independent local community centre providing various classes, entertainment and activities (see www.fellowshiphouse.co.uk). However under our current Constitution we still have this remit and continue to make welfare payments of a few thousand pounds each year. The recent hikes in energy and food costs might well

have tipped some residents into a difficult situation, particularly those who are elderly and maybe living alone. If you know of anyone whose life could be made easier by a modest grant then please call Lorna Jones (020 3723 9299) who looks after Welfare matters on our Management Committee.

Please keep the police in the picture

PC AMRIC SINGH (1522 NW) & PC RANJ HADI (2532 NW)

emailed us on 999/101/www.met.police.uk/@metcc, could end up being linked to serious crime.

When you realise a local crime is taking place or has taken place, obviously you want to warn your neighbours. You may use your local email group or social media platforms such as WhatsApp. By using the neighbourhood watch platform OWL Online Watch Link (owl.co.uk), you will also be keeping the local police informed as well. But whichever platform you trust to circulate information about crime or suspicious behaviour in your neighbourhood, make sure you report it to the police as well. Digital technology has made it so much easier to contact the Police and/or Crime Stoppers so you can pass on that vital piece of information you have. Don't underestimate how important it can be. That vehicle number plate that gets called in by a concerned member of the public who has

A description of what appears to be a vulnerable person could be a missing person in desperate need of medical attention. That suspicious character who called at your, or your neighbour's, address who was aggressively selling their services or just didn't feel right, could be a con artist about to fleece somebody of their life savings. When you call the police, even if you don't give your details to the operator, they will still accept what you have to say. If you do leave your name and details, rest assured your information is protected under General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR). Your input can be crucial and we can't thank you enough and appreciate your ongoing support. If you wish to contact your local police team please email us at gardensuburb.snt@met.police.uk.

THE MARKET IS HOT... MAYBE IT'S TIME TO MOVE?

In the last few months, we have let and sold an extraordinary amount of homes in the Suburb, therefore if you are considering selling or letting there has never been a better time than now. We regularly deal with 'Cottages to Castles' and can procure both aspirational clientele moving up the property ladder and also the comfortable 'empty nesters', moving down. Our resourceful applicants are not just plucked from within the local vicinity, but from London-wide and Globally, which gives us the unique opportunity to extract the full value of your home. We are at your service and we reassuringly deliver on our promises.



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