

## CALMING SUBURB TRAFFIC

The RA and the Trust have commissioned a professional traffic survey to establish the facts concerning the speed and volume of traffic on the main roads in the Suburb. We shall then be in a strong position to demand that measures are taken to make our roads safer, and also be able to use the information gathered to gauge changes that may occur in the future.

Apart from the Henly's Corner, "improvement" Inquiry, which still has to be decided, we are additionally under threat from the proposed "red route" scheme. This would turn the A1 within London into a clearway, making it carry more traffic through the Suburb until it reaches the end of Aylmer Road, where all three of the remaining twelve options envisaged by the East London Assessment Studies commissioned by the Department of Transport start.

The options are intended to improve the flow of traffic to the King's Cross Channel tunnel terminal and docklands. The London Borough of Barnet have expressed their fears that Falloden Way would not accommodate this increase and have suggested that the Department of Transport should produce a report to show the impact of the options on the Borough. All the options contain the recommendation that traffic calming be carried out to "encourage people to drive more safely and slowly through residential areas" and divert vehicles "away from roads which are unsuitable for through traffic", none of which is intended to interfere with

normal journeys within the Suburb or the H2 bus service. However, no one can deny that our roads are becoming more dangerous, and the situation will not improve unless we produce strong evidence for the London Borough of Barnet and the police to demonstrate that something must be done. In fact, the original architects of the Suburb installed at least two traffic-calming measures - in Meadway at the junction with Heathgate and along Willifield Way at the junction with Asmunds Hill - where the roads did not "flow" as they do now, but were provided with clear intersections that would slow traffic down. Alas, these junctions were subsequently "improved", leaving us with dangerous bends where numerous accidents occur. We need to reverse these alterations and follow the examples that we know of by providing many more speed-reducing measures which will not only save lives but also enhance the Suburb still further.

If you want to know more about "traffic calming", please contact the Roads and Traffic Committee, who will be pleased to supply a copy of a booklet published by the Friends of the Earth at a cost of 25p each. **DJR**

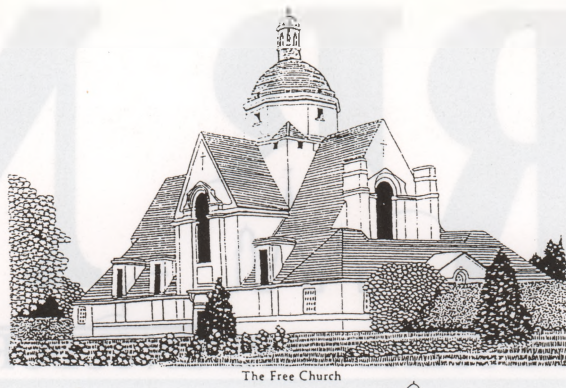
## FRIENDS OF THE EARTH

The newly formed Golders Green branch of FoE is growing steadily as more people interested in vital Green issues attend the monthly lectures and join the group. Action groups, concerned with saving Rainforests and with encouraging Recycling, have successfully started active campaigning. In April, Juliet Solomon, a co-researcher with Mayer Hillman at the Policy Studies Institute, and author of a recently published book entitled "Green Parenting", will give a fascinating talk entitled "Transport - What Prospects for the 1990s?"

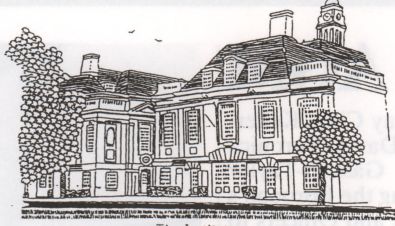
If you would like to know exactly what acid rain is, what

the connection between sulphur and power stations is and why CO<sub>2</sub> gas is in the news, then join Dr Tuddenham, scientist and microbiologist, when he gives his lecture on "Atmospheric Problems" in May.

The subject of Food is frequently in the news. In June the Nutritionist, Dr Robert Hare, will deliver a revealing talk entitled "Organic Food - What's in it for Me?" Lectures are free to the public and time is given to question the speakers. (For details, see What's On, and for further information phone Peter Kyte 458 5415 or Jean Brazier 455 2859.)



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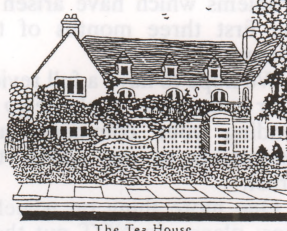


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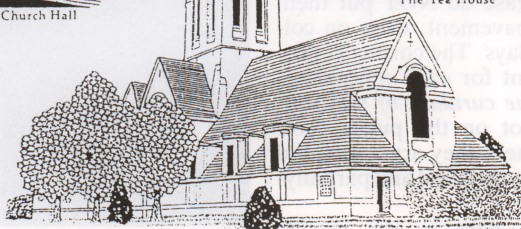
### HAMPSTEAD GARDEN SUBURB



The Free Church Hall



The Tea House



### SUBURB TEA-TOWEL

The Free Church and the EFL department of the Institute have joined forces to produce a Suburb tea-towel, which reproduces drawings of five Suburb landmarks - the Free Church, St Jude's Church, The Institute, the Free Church Hall and the Tea House.

Part of the proceeds from the sale of the tea-towels will go towards the Barclay Garden Fund. This was launched in July 1989 to celebrate the life and works of Irene Barclay, who died last year aged 94. A pioneer in the housing field, she was the country's first woman chartered surveyor, and, as housing manager of St Pancras Housing Association, she was responsible for major slum clearance in the Somers Town area of Camden.

The Suburb was on the original fund-raising circuit of the association when it was founded in the 1930s by the Rev Basil Jellicoe - a visit still remembered by one or two of the older residents. The Garden Fund will provide money to refurbish gardens and play areas on St Pancras estates, and to create gardens in new developments. It is particularly fitting that the vision of Henrietta Barnett in providing such an acceptable area for us to live in can in turn help to create a more pleasant environment for others. Tea-towels are available in

### OUR ENVIRONMENT - A FRAGILE FUTURE

It is singularly appropriate that this subject should have been chosen for the **Twenty-first Dame Henrietta Barnett Memorial Lecture on Thursday 24th May**, which follows so soon after the Suburb's important Environment Week. No one privileged to live on Hampstead Garden Suburb can fail to appreciate the importance of the lecturer's choice of subject.

The lecture will be delivered by Mr Gerald Isaaman, Editor of the "Ham & High", who, although his subject is as stated above, has chosen as his title "Fear not to sow because of the Birds", the words which appear on a memorial in Westminster Abbey to Canon Barnett and the Dame. **EHTH**

olive green or burgundy red in 100 per cent cotton, price £2.50, from the Tea House or the Institute office between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. Monday to Friday during term-time, or by mail order price £2.75 (inc. p.&p.) from St Pancras Housing Association, Appeals Office, FREEPOST, 90 Eversholt St. London NW1 1YP. **JB**

## SLIMMERS - DON'T READ THIS

Unfortunately I haven't attended all the Gourmet Society events. My new year's resolution was to lose that bit of bulging fat around my midriff and that has helped keep me on the straight and narrow. However, the strain has been intolerable with all the temptations thrust in front of me.

The first successful home dining was held on 27th January for eight at Rosie and Peter Loyd's. Leek and potato soup, steak and kidney pudding with vegetables, port jelly, Boodles Fool and Stilton were served. This traditional English meal was as mouthwatering as described.

A Taste of Greece followed on 24th February at the home of Angela and Anthony Moonshine. Authentic Greek cuisine was served to a party of six, and for those who attended, the memory lingers on.

On 27th February a party of sixteen visited an old-established French provincial restaurant in the West End. A three-course meal plus coffee was especially made available for the bargain price of £18.50 a head, including service. The menu, which included a choice of three dishes for each course, also catered for vegetarians.

On 1st April Joyce, Don and Jack Alvarez are entertaining six guests to a dinner party of Chinese food. The menu will include: egg flower soup, Peking roast chicken, roast lamb with ginger and spring onions, egg rice and oriental fruit salad and other delights - a "snip" at £5.00. As you can imagine, the evening is already fully booked with a waiting list if anyone drops out - fat chance!

Now this is one where there might be a few places if you are quick. You will however have

to join the Gourmet Society if you wish to attend. On Sunday 6th May at 12.30 p.m. Jean and Timothy Neal are making a buffet lunch for thirty guests at £3.00 each. There will be a varied menu consisting of cheeses, home-baked bread and pâtés, plus lots of other goodies.

On a general note, it is worth mentioning that you most definitely do not need to be a gourmet cook or have any particular culinary skills to join the Society. All we ask is that you are prepared to enjoy yourself and support the objectives of the Society, which include enabling members of the HGS Residents Association to meet together in friendly circumstances. So remember, you don't have to be a Michelin-starred chef to join!

Any resident of Hampstead Garden Suburb may become a member of the Gourmet Society, which costs £5.00 per household. However, it is first necessary to be a member of the Residents Association, but you can join at the same time at a cost of £3.00. For further details, together with application forms, please apply to Mary and John Whiting, 12 Hutchings Walk, NW11, who are the Secretary and Treasurer of the Society. Please ensure you send a stamped addressed envelope with your application.

Must go now and find those Ryvitas. **Weight Watcher**

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