

LE VESINET VISIT

On June 22 Jocelyn Wakefield and Ida de Groot represented the Suburb at a celebration at Le Vesinet of the Noces de Cristal or fifteen years of twinning Le Vesinet and Outrement in Canada.

The visit included an official dinner attended by Alain Jonemann, Deputy Mayor of Le Vesinet and Alain Decaux, Minister of State for Francophonie. The dinner was held at Le Vesinet's ice rink which was decorated overall in the colours of Quebec.

During a weekend of celebrations they met many of the Le Vesinet residents who have visited the Suburb from time to time and discussed aspects of twinning, including school visits: Madame Cote, headmistress of the College du Cedre, said that "the exchange between the three classes of year 10 and Henrietta Barnet and the top year at her school was a real success."

They discussed with Ann-

Marie de Crounillon who is responsible for the Guides the possibility of a visit by French guides to the Suburb in two years time. And with Gilles Huser a projected visit from their choir 'Viens Chante' a part of 'A Couer Joie'.

However the principle interest is in exchanges between young people. There are a number who would like to come to the Suburb, one of whom is Charlotte who is 13.

The Suburb representatives presented a copy of a book on Lutyens to the Mayor.

It is hoped that with the advent of 1992 our only official link with Europe will be strengthened by much more contact between our two communities.

HEAD TEACHER RETIRES

Mrs Joyce Mayhew, retired at the end of the summer term after 7 years as head teacher at Garden Suburb Infant School. The PTA held a farewell party for her at the school attended by over a hundred well wishers made up of teachers, governors and parents. The school hall was beautifully decorated by the parents with flowers brought to school by the children.



she now intends to devote more time to her many interests and in particular to playing tennis. Nor will she be giving up her contacts with the educational world. She has been engaged as a part-time tutor to students of education at Middlesex Polytechnic from October. **JBME**

MORE CONSTABLE CLOGGIES

The thirty-four strong, ever-expanding team of Hampstead Garden Suburb joggers inspired by Ruth Jacobs entered several teams for the 6th year into the National Fun Run in Hyde Park in September. Despite a heavy course and inclement weather the runners were undaunted. Shane Snow came second in a field of 740 men (age 19-23) with a fast time. Team members not shown in the photograph are: Isobel & Tony Oberman, Lucy & Peter Michaels, Selena & John Rochman, Paul de Keyser, Jon & Robert Slowe & Michael Jacobs.



Standing from the left: Darrel Ponniah, Oliver Newton, Jacky Freeman, Elizabeth Ponniah, Shane Snow, Ruth Jacobs, Diana Kornbrot, Elizabeth Watkins, Laura Watkins, Neil Aitken, Ben Jacobs, Guy Strelitz, Alex Jacobs, Laurie Abbot, Michael Strelitz & Mark Watkins. Sitting from the left: Hugh Watkins, Vanessa Newton, Dominic Ponniah, Daryn Wober, Rupert Watkins & Jason Strelitz.



AUTUMN ON OSSULTON WAY

*Whenever I walk down Ossulton Way
On a chilly autumn day,*

*Leaves are falling and
Dad's are calling,*

To sweep the leaves away.

*Just as they've got the pile all set
The children come and play.*

*That's what I really like the best
About autumn on Ossulton Way.*

by Mary Weatherhead

WORDSEARCH COMPETITION

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF COUNTRIES OF THE MIDDLE EAST

Find and ring the names of twelve Middle Eastern countries hidden in the box of letters. They may read forwards, backwards, up, down and diagonally.

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R L Y M R N O R S K M R O C B
I A E C D A P Q L T D N D A A
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E X E G Z A Y L N M F V Q B Y
S R N R A Q P L O G N R W A X
I A U V E N I A R H A B S R T
T T F E I O D H I C I B U A V
O A G J K N O N A B E L W I X
H U I M A L O P J E R S Z D Y
U Q N I U K L Q A F O T U U V
R T R N M U J I G A Z X W A Y
A Y O P Q T I A W U K D U S T
S S B O M A N H O E I C E B A

If you are under fifteen on the 5th December, you may list the answers on a postcard with your name, age, address and telephone number and post to: 35 Wildwood Road. The first correct entry drawn on the closing date, 5th December 1990, will receive a £10 Book Token. To help you on your way, we have given you the first answer.
Happy Hunting!

EGW

WORDSEARCH WINNER

Daniel Perry of The Meadway won the summer wordsearch competition on Britain's main rivers. Daniel, age 10, was born in Hampstead and has lived in the Suburb for a year. He goes to University College School, Junior Branch, having been previously at school in Hendon. Daniel loves all sports, but especially swimming, horseriding and playing rugby at school. His interests are playing the violin (with the Suburb Youth Music Orchestra), watching television Quiz Programmes, and eating French & Italian food. He also loves to play with his two younger brothers & Blueberry, their tabby cat. With his £10 Book Token, Daniel plans to buy three adventure books by Willard Price to complete his collection.

EGW

NATURE RESERVE

Just three miles as the crow flies from Central Square is the Darlands Lake Nature Reserve in the Totteridge Valley. This is one of 50 nature reserves looked after by the Herts & Middlesex Wildlife Trust.

Crows do fly in from a wide area to roost around the reserve and over 700 have been recorded on a winters evening. A regular common bird census is carried out; on a recent one all 3 woodpeckers were seen and also 5 species of tit.

The reserve is particularly noted for its fritillary that comes into flower around the beginning of April and there are over 3000 plants on the reserve. Over 100 other species of wildflower have been recorded; Of the 18 mammals listed the rabbit and fox can often be seen and at the mammal surveys that are regularly carried out the wood-mouse, bank vole and shrew are

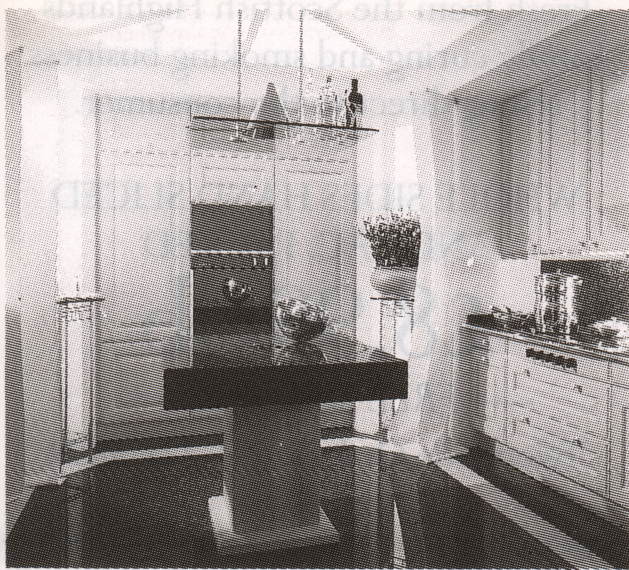
the most common.

This year there was a Mid-summer Madness event when during a 24 hour period, 152 visitors were recorded including 20 at 1.00am. The most popular event was on bees when a hive was brought in from the adjoining field and their fascinating life cycle explained. The local honey was sold to visitors being the second crop of the year and coming mainly from the horsechestnut flower.

Future events include a Toad-stool table, there being 116 species of fungi on our list, a morning investigating the nest boxes and a small mammal morning. There is also a regular task day on the second Sunday of every month. If you would like further information on these events, please contact the Hon Warden, Derek Warren, 346-5258.

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