

TRUST AGM

The Free Church Hall was a new venue for the AGMs of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust and the Charitable Trust.

Tony Thornley in his Chairman's introduction welcomed the further strengthening of the Trust's financial position which underlined the benefits of the acquisition of the Ashdale long leaseholds.

Profit from the sale of freeholds in 1990-91 was £23,391 and the number of units under the Scheme of Management increased by 59 to 2655.

Buoyancy of revenue from building consent fees had enabled the Trust to hold the management charge payable by freeholders to the provisional £28 charged in August 1990 but the provisional charge for '91-92 had been set at £30.

The Chairman said that his seven years on the council had been an enjoyable and instructive experience.

In a vote of thanks at the close of the official business of the meeting Eileen Whelan, RA Chairman recalled that Tony Thornley had long been working behind the scenes managing the Trust investment portfolio and thanked him for his tireless effort during the year of his Chairmanship.

God is in the details

Following the AGM Dr Mervyn Miller gave a talk on the delights of architectural detail on Suburb buildings and houses, illustrated with his slides.

Dr Miller stressed the importance of maintaining decorative brickwork by correct methods of pointing, and above all by not painting over them.

Cable

The Managing Director of Videotron explained the progress being made by the cable company who would commence laying on the Suburb in October.

POST OFFICE MOVES

The Temple Fortune Post Office (now an agency) will soon be moving to 8 Ashbourne Parade, Finchley Road, next door to Jackson's the Cleaners and opposite the end of Willifield Way.

We understand that Barnet Borough Council may not be renewing their contract with local Post Offices for the issue of Senior Citizens' Travel Permits, and that other arrangements may have to be made when these are due for renewal in March 1992. We shall keep you informed!

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Farm Walk Finals: Yvonne Charras collects her Ladies Singles Trophy for the third year.

FARM WALK'S FINALS IN THE SUN

In spite of weather problems all the preliminary rounds were completed in time for a sunny mid-July Sunday with Wimbledon style luncheon, wine and strawberries for the 40 plus who came to enjoy some exciting tennis.

In the ladies' singles Yvonne Charras dominated the court and kept the trophy for the third year.

Thus the ladies' double final provided a surprise when the favourites were convincingly defeated by Christine & Gill who played with enormous determination.

The men's mixed nearly produced another shock when the Geissmar father/daughter pairing got to match point against top seeds Debbie and David. At that moment the two "D's" suddenly got their act together. Shots that were just out a few minutes earlier, were now just in. With power and will, the final set went convincingly to David & Debbie.

In the men's doubles, top seeds were just too strong for the second team pair of Reza and Mohammed (who had won all

their matches for the second team against other clubs).

As the finals finished, club members joined in to finish a good day's tennis.

- Ladies Singles
- Yvonne Charras
- Christine Geissmar
- 6-0; 6-0
- Mens Singles
- Stephen Gershon
- Jonathan Harris
- 6-1; 3-6; 6-1
- Ladies Doubles
- Christine Geissmar
- Gill Bailey
- Debbie Warland
- Yvonne Charras
- 4-6; 6-1; 6-1
- Mens Doubles
- Jonathan Harris
- David Pinnick
- Reza Ahmeddian
- Mohammed Rahini
- 6-0; 6-4
- Mixed Doubles
- Debbie Warland
- David Pinnick
- Christine Geissmar
- Claus Geissmar
- 1-6; 7-6; 6-2

JMD

School build up

Kerem House Nursery School, the only nursery school in the Hampstead Garden Suburb area, has undergone a crucial facelift. This month saw the successful completion of major structural and facility improvements carried out to ensure that the school satisfied new regulations.

Kerem House Nursery School, in Kingsley Way, has existed since 1948 in what is now designated a conservation area and over the years has built up a total of 90 pupils. However this success story was threatened earlier this year when it became apparent that the school contravened the Children's Act 1990 which, amongst other things, includes strict regulations concerning the space allotted per child within school buildings as well as sanitary arrangements. Under the Act each nursery school is obliged to re-licence by this October and as Kerem school stood its overall space and facilities would have been deemed insufficient for the existing 90 pupils.


Planning permission was arranged as quickly as possible to alter the existing fabric and facilities of the school, expand the school building area itself and save the situation. Permission having been obtained through architects Architeknic in early June this year, Denham Design and Build were ready to commence work six weeks later - right at the start of the school holidays. A further six weeks on, when the 90 pupils returned to Kerem, the first phase of the



project had been completed successfully. This meant that the school water and sanitary systems had been updated, which in effect had meant completely replumbing the building (including putting in the now statutory disabled toilet facility), a new kitchen installed and floor coverings laid plus full internal decorations carried out. Meanwhile Phase 2 - the construction of two new classrooms plus a secondary staircase to satisfy fire regulations - was able to get underway without any disruption to staff or pupils. Managing director Clive Denham says: "Although timing was tight, the whole project went extremely smoothly and I am happy to say that all parties concerned performed to deadline."

Chairman of the school council, Julian Taylor also expressed his relief at the speedy building work on the school:

"Phase one of the project - the refurbishment - was carried out incredibly quickly and with phase two about to be completed Kerem House looks like being one of the first nursery schools in the area to comply with all the new regulations."



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WILD HATCH

Residents walking down Wild Hatch will be aware of major building works going on behind the garage at the end of the road. In December 1986, Mr Gross of 85 Hampstead Way received planning permission from Barnet to construct a leisure centre at the bottom of his garden. The new building will house a billiard room and underground swimming pool. Once the work has been completed the original wall will be rebuilt. The Trust were not consulted about this Scheme since this piece of land at the end of Wild Hatch is outside their jurisdiction.



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