

Jean Henderson

Jean Henderson, who has died aged 97, was one of the Suburb's most respected elder citizens and was among the first to be made an Honorary Life Member of the Residents Association when Life Memberships were instituted.

The younger daughter of John and Florence Henderson she came to the Suburb when the family moved to 109 Corringham Road during the first world war. Her father, originally a schoolmaster, was an ardent Liberal, widely read in English and Scottish literature and a respected bibliophile he became Secretary of the National Liberal Club which was where Jean's 90th birthday was celebrated.

She was educated at Hall School, Weybridge, at the Mount School in York, where she was Head Girl and Captain of Cricket, and took a degree in modern languages, including Russian, at Bedford College, London. Work after university included journalism, translation, campaigning with the Womens' International League and Womens' Liberal Association. She lived at home in Corringham Road until the death of her parents, to whom she was devoted, in 1938.

Jean Henderson became one of England's first women barristers

when she was called to the bar in 1943, an extraordinary achievement for a woman of her age, studying in wartime conditions. She was an air raid warden in Hampstead Way, where she lived from 1938 until she moved into a home three years ago, throughout the war.

It was as a Liberal candidate that she stood for parliament three times in the forties and fifties. She was a JP from 1956 to 1970 and in 1976 she became Head of Chambers at 5 Pump Court.

Jean had always been an accomplished musician, playing the viola and violin, and it was her love of music that brought her to an active Suburb role through musical evenings with George Bower who in 1961 made her aware of the threat to the Suburb from its sale to a property company in the Clore/Cotton empire. With George Bower, John Braithwaite, Brigid Grafton-Greene and Jean Henderson the Hampstead Garden Suburb Protection Society was formed, the Trust was prevented from winding itself up and eventually the New Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust was created. This ensured that control of the Suburb was firmly in the hands of Trust members.



Dr John Clough

Very many Garden Suburb residents who were patients of Dr John Clough at Temple Fortune Health Centre will have been greatly saddened to learn of his death from cancer in January of this year.

Dr Clough practised in this area for 40 years, first from his home in Golders Green and later at 766 Finchley Road when he and his partner, Dr David Beardsmore, joined up with the group already established there. From 1970 Dr Clough and senior colleague, Dr Robert Kennedy, were prime movers in finding a site and eventually negotiating the building of the new Health Centre in Temple Fortune Lane

which opened its doors on New Year's Day 1977. He practised there until retirement 6 years ago, and afterwards continued as a regular and popular locum. He was loved and respected by all his colleagues and patients, and was known as a gentle and caring doctor.

Dr Clough also acted as Medical Referee at Golders Green Crematorium for 30 years and was still working sessions there within weeks of his death.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, 3 children and (almost) 4 grandchildren.

John Henry Harper Clough 1923 - 1997

Dr Edwina Fairey

Rosie Loyd

Rosie Loyd, who died on Wednesday, 12th March, after a long brave fight with cancer, came to the house in Meadway as a young bride of nineteen thirty-six years ago. With two step-children and later two children of her own, she was kept busy for many years.

Some ten years ago she worked for the Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust as Chris Kellerman's secretary. She was on the social committee of St Judes and was deeply involved with the Wives Fellowship.

More recently she was chairman of the Residents Association's Publications

Committee and organiser of the distribution of *Suburb News*.

She was a great supporter of the twinning of the Suburb with Le Vesinet and was saddened when lack of enthusiasm in the Suburb forced that connection to end.

She also worked tirelessly for the two Suburb weekends, especially with Joyce Morrison two years ago. One only had to ask and it was done quietly and efficiently; always with a smile.

All her friends and colleagues will miss her warm, friendly presence and our heartfelt sympathies go out to her husband, Peter, and to her family.

Léonie Stephen

Robert Holme

It is with deep sadness that I report the death of my father, Robert Holme, who passed peacefully away at home in March after a long illness.

Robert was born on the Suburb in Addison Way and, except for the years during the Second World War when he served in the Royal Navy, he lived the whole of his life on the Suburb; the last 38 years in Asmuns Place.

Bob, as he was known to many, played an active role on the Allotments Committee on which he served for many years. He loved family life and was never happier, as I can testify, than when he was working on his allotment or tending his garden. He won the Phyllis Young Memorial prize for the best kept allotment in 1987 and was often praised by the Committee for the neatness of his plot on the Asmuns Place site.

The funeral was at Hendon

Cemetery and was well attended by many residents of the Suburb including neighbours in Asmuns Place and past and present members of the Allotment Committee including Colin Cawood and Eileen Whelan. The Free Church Minister, Tony Spring, held the Service for his interment which was deeply moving and during which thanks for his life was given.

He will be sadly missed by his family, wife Doreen and two sons, Bob and Eric, who would like to thank all those who attended and also those who sent cards and wrote such kind things about him. In the last couple of years of his life he was cruelly afflicted by Alzheimers and the family would be pleased if anyone who wished to do so would make a donation to The Alzheimers Society in his memory.

Eric Holme

ST EDWARD'S VISIT BY CARDINAL

On Palm Sunday, 23rd March, Morning Service on Radio 4 was broadcast from St Edward's Church. The mass was introduced by Bishop Vincent Nichols who also gave the homily. He spoke of the rich pattern of life with all its high and low points. The parish priest, Father John Helm, celebrated the Mass, and the choir was in fine form.

The following day, Cardinal

Basil Hume visited the church to celebrate the Monday evening Mass at 7pm. It was a low-key, informal visit during which he dedicated the new shrine with its beautiful wood carving, to the Church's patron Saint, Edward the Confessor. Afterwards the Cardinal joined the parishioners in the church hall for tea and cakes. It was a really enjoyable, friendly evening.

Daniel Brudney

100th birthday in May

On the 22nd of May Olive Scribens of Corringway will be 100 years old. Born in Devon she moved to the Suburb in 1932 with her husband and three children. Her husband worked as a gardener for the Old Trust before the War. Their first home was one of the chauffeur's flats and then in 1938 they moved to their present house at number 12. All the houses in Corringway were built by the Old Trust to house their employees. The rent was 12 shillings and 6 pence or 62.5p per week.

The children went to the Suburb School and the two boys went on to Orange Hill in Burnt Oak. John, who is 68, still lives at home. Olive has two grand and two great grand children. Her husband died in 1970.

Over the 65 years on the Suburb Olive and John share many memories. Before the War Wild Hatch was an unmade path and was known locally as Muddy Lane. John saw his first film in 1935 at the Orpheum in Finchley Road, it was the *Last of the Mohicans*. The cinema is now the site of Birbeck Court. During the War the market garden behind Wellgarth Road supplied Suburb residents with potatoes and other



vegetables. Flowers from these gardens were sold through a flower shop in Hampstead Way. This has since been converted into a house (number 73A). During the War there was a battery of 12 anti-aircraft guns on the Heath Extension and Olive remembers that they kept everyone awake at night.

In the 1930s there were very few cars on the Suburb and Olive got around everywhere on foot. The shops in Temple Fortune were a long way to go. She attributes her long life to a healthy lifestyle and places particular emphasis on having a healthy diet.

For the last 26 years she has been an active member of Fellowship.

Christopher Kellerman

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