

SUBURB FESTIVAL

The Suburb's 90th Anniversary Festival weekend turned out wet again but nevertheless it was voted a success.

It started on Friday with an evening of nostalgia for the Edwardian age with Geoff Hales being Jerome K Jerome and later June Armstrong-Wright and Leonard Fenton giving a light-hearted look at what life was like in 1907.

Saturday morning started with a procession led by bagpipers across Central Square to the Henrietta Barnett Memorial where proceedings were opened by RA Chairman Richard Wakefield who welcomed the Lady Mayor, Cllr Agnes Slocombe, our new MP Dr Rudy Vis, our prospective Barnet Councillor John Marshall, Charles Lutyens, Lady Wilson and other distinguished visitors. He also welcomed a number of residents "who are as old as the Suburb and appear to have worn just as well" and said what a splendid birthday present for the



The Mayor accepts presentation bouquets from Laura Allen and Jodi Bloom

Suburb Sir Donald Sinden's knighthood had been. Leonie Stephen, playing a female lead at last, made a convincing Henrietta Barnett and was followed by Trust Chairman Eddie Caplin who, after welcoming everyone on behalf of the Trust, led the way to the dozens of stalls on the Square.



Sir Donald Sinden prepares to make a cast of his hands on the Garden Suburb Theatre stall which featured the newly refurbished Little Oak Wood theatre

Miss Childe and the Rolls Royce.



Finding the fruit rather tempting at the Horticultural Show



Léonie Stephen very convincing as the Dame



Richard Wakefield thanked Elizabeth Gundrey and her committee for bringing the Festival about and presented a bouquet at the opening ceremony



Lady Howie takes a ride in the 1902 Peugeot



Friends of the Earth brought a Wishing Tree which was soon covered with wishes for a cleaner and more peaceful world



Brian and Jenny Stonhold at the Free Church stall sheltering in St Jude's



Candyfloss for the Vicar with members of the Synagogue youth centre

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Members of the Garden Suburb Theatre in Edwardian dress in the 1907 Rolls



The Children's Day Fete was saved from the rain by St Jude's. Training in tightrope walking was popular



A tree was planted on Willifield Green to mark Léonie Stephen's years as RA Chairman

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