



Local group raises £120,000

There were smiles, laughter and just a few tears at the AGM of the North London Hospice N.W. Support Group, as just four of the many trained and valued volunteers told of their varied jobs in the everyday life at the Hospice. 'Friends of the Hospice' were gathered at Fellowship House to hear the annual report of the numerous fundraising activities of this busy committee.

The sponsored Big Fun Walk 2001, the major event, was extremely successful both socially and financially, raising over £100,000 thanks mainly to Vivienne Bentley, Anne Samworth and the route adviser Harold Karton, together with the

sub-committee and the entire team assisting on the day. However Chairman, Dr Chris Donovan, emphasized the importance of the many local social events which have proved to be so popular and enjoyable. He stressed that, whilst important as fundraisers, they also maintain and raise awareness of the exceptional loving care and medical excellence at this truly community project.

M.P. Dr Rudi Vis presented cheques for £120,000 to Penny Montgomery, the Hospice Director, who expressed most grateful thanks for all the hard work in raising such a magnificent sum.

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Open Exhibition success

The RA's Garden Suburb Gallery usually displays the work of artists who live on the Suburb or who, not necessarily living here, paint the Suburb.

The idea of our first Open Exhibition was to extend an invitation to artists who are not local or do not regularly exhibit and perhaps study at the Institute.

The Gallery being so small, we had a good many more entries than could be hung and the panel of artists had some agonising decisions to make

about which paintings made it to the wall.

The exhibition included work of originality and interest from some 15 artists new to the Gallery and attracted an appreciative audience.

Many thanks to those who took the trouble to enter their work and congratulations to those who made sales. For next year's Open we are hoping to include an event at which artists can get together.

RICHARD WAKEFIELD

Quirky Gallery!

October's show was *Four Seasons in the Suburb*, watercolours by Shizue Takahashi; we thought residents should see what the Ham and High's art critic Helen Smithson made of it, "The leafy roads and architecture of Hampstead Garden Suburb are the inspiration behind Shizue Takahashi's watercolours of the area. Is it just me, but why are the roads so eerily deserted around there? All appears peaceful, calm and orderly: the sun always shines, the leaves blow around in just the right aesthetic way and there isn't a scrap of litter. The tiny quirky Garden Suburb Gallery at the end of Hampstead Way in Temple Fortune is a delightful, posh summerhouse-turned-gallery. It was in fact built in 1906 as a summerhouse for a garden and lake that never materialised. It'll take you five minutes to look round as you can simply swivel your head from one side to the other."

In December some of Shizue's pictures will be among a show featuring all the Gallery's Suburb artists with prints and originals from £20 to £300. There are ceramics from Helen Cohen and Sheila Seepersaud-Jones and lots of Suburbabilia including framed maps, books, cards by resident artists, including Suburb Christmas cards, or why not entertain your more musical friends with cards by Gerard Hoffnung?



CHLOE HILARY GEAR

A fairy tale exhibition

Visitors to the Garden Suburb Gallery in November will be able to learn from the artist exactly how her amazing botanical etchings are made as, on two days in the week, Chloe Hilary Gear explains how she gets the effects that have made critics describe her work as 'imaginative and decorative etchings that

have a fairy tale quality while remaining botanically accurate'.

At the time of going to press Chloe will be at the Gallery, at the Temple Fortune end of Hampstead Way, on Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings but do ring to check, 8455 7410. The Gallery is open most days 11am to 5pm.

Wordsearch winner

The winner was Dr Eva Blumenthal who has lived on the Suburb since 1961, first in Erskine Hill, then Hampstead Way and now in Meadway.

She and her husband have brought up four children, one of whom lives in Erskine Hill,

and have seven grandchildren. Dr. Blumenthal has retired from her post as hospital consultant, her speciality being diabetes.

Her prize of a book token will be used to buy the next two or three books for her reading group.

WORDSEARCH

OUTDOOR SPORTS AND PASTIMES

In the box below are concealed the names, having four or more letters, of twenty outdoor sports and pastimes. Their names may be read forwards, backwards, upwards, downwards or diagonally. HOCKEY has been ringed to start you off. Can you find the names of 19 more?

Entries should be listed on a post card or a sheet of paper. They should be sent to 'Wordsearch', 117 Hampstead Way, London NW11 7JN and should give the name, address and telephone number of the sender. The closing date for entries is 7th December. The sender of the first correct (or nearest correct) entry drawn after the closing date will receive a book token for £20.

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WORDSEARCH ANSWERS

The words associated with air travel in the box of the last wordsearch were: Arrivals, Baggage, Boarding, Business, Cabin, Crew, Customs, Delay, Departures, Economy, Emergency, First, Flight, Gate, Lounge, Pilot, Seat, Ticket, Transit, Trolley.

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