

# 20mph zone a first for Barnet

A major step was taken by the Environment Sub Committee in mid December when it accepted the RA's scheme which was supported by Rudi Vis MP and the Committee chair Cllr Cathy McGuirk. Their decision authorised the expenditure of £27,000 for the first 20mph zone in the Borough. The money comes from Barnet Council's 'Safe Routes to School' budget.

This particular area was chosen because a reasonably coherent zone could be designated which incorporated the existing calming in Oakwood Road as well as the measures to be introduced in Addison Way by the Director of Traffic for London (see Red Route calming p2).

It is likely that further traffic calming measures will be needed in Willifield Way. The size of the zone is limited by the funds available but it could be extended in future.

This is a recognition by Barnet Council of the traffic problems



encountered by Suburb residents and an attempt to provide a zonal solution rather than a piecemeal approach.

The RA and the Trust will discuss the details of the scheme with Barnet and ensure that residents are fully informed.

Additionally Barnet will conduct a formal consultation with residents before going ahead.

KEN MURRELL

# Proms at St Jude's 2001

16-23 June

The Proms at St Jude's is the Suburb's very own music festival – now in its 9th year. This festival *does* make money – in excess of £50,000 has already been donated to good causes such as Toynbee Hall (via the Dame Henrietta Barnett Fund), the North London Hospice, Save The Children & St Jude's Organ Appeal. Not only that, as a major Suburb social event, it promotes friendship and culture among residents.

This year's varied programme is virtually finalised and we hope you will join us for 2001 – A Space Odyssey, or Robert Max conducting Beethoven's Emperor Piano Concerto with the Covent Garden Chamber Orchestra. The outstanding new Organist and Director of Music at St Jude's, Oliver Rundell, will direct the Festival Choir in Haydn's Creation. On the Tuesday we are delighted to welcome back the international violinist and Suburb favourite, Erich Gruenberg. There will, as

usual, be free lunchtime recitals and a spectacular traditional 'Last Night of the Proms' with a world premiere of a specially commissioned Fanfare.

Fancy jazz? Then make a note for Midsummer's Night Jazz on the Square.

The Proms at St Jude's is grateful to the group of supporters known as 'Friends of the Proms' and to the musicians, sponsors and advertisers without whose active help our charitable giving would be less substantial.

More details to follow in the next issue of Suburb News or check out the Proms website at [www.stjudes.org.uk](http://www.stjudes.org.uk) but please mark the dates in your diary NOW: 2001 Proms at St Jude's, 16 – 23 June.

If you would like to get more involved in the Proms or to sponsor one of our concerts, please ring John Wheeler (8455 3506) or Susie Gregson (8458 1675).

PROMS 2001 ORGANISING COMMITTEE

# ...and the rain stopped just in time



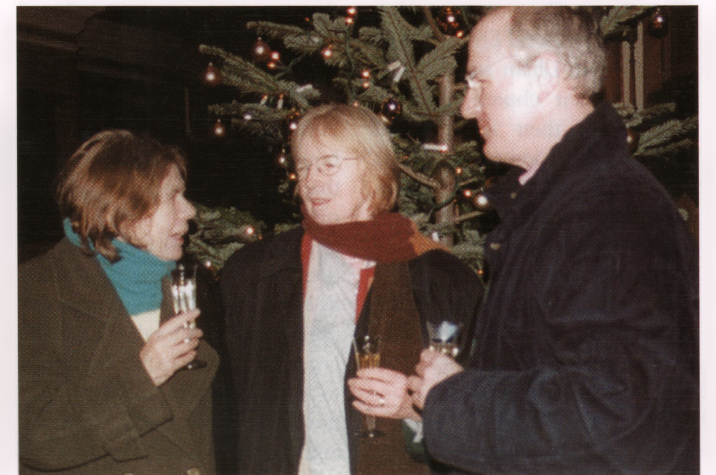
(Above) Lots of young residents joined the RA fireworks party

(Below) Ellen Wakefield enjoys crisps more than champagne



(Above) Fathers and sons team Alastair and David St George and Alan and Daniel Brudney are becoming expert at letting off fireworks

(Below) It was generally agreed the show was even better than last year's.



Judy Hoile took time out from the e-mail group to chat to her husband and Annie Walker during the champagne reception in St Jude's.

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Stephen Brookhouse and family, waiting for the fireworks.