



Georgina Malcolm and Vanessa Aitken

## A walk for Henrietta

A path across Central Square, down to Willifield Way then by twitten to Hampstead Way and on to Temple Fortune Lane has been officially named Henrietta Barnett Walk to mark the

Centenary. It has taken some time but last month Barnet Highways' Vanessa Aitken and Georgina Malcolm walked the route to decide how the walk is to be signed. We'll keep you posted.

## Dame Henrietta Barnett Fund seeks Chairman and Trustees

The fund helps young people move away from need and towards opportunity. The Trustees are drawn from the Suburb, Toynbee, the HB School and Institute. We work with Toynbee Hall in the East End, strengthen links between Toynbee and the Suburb, and provide awards for disadvantaged young people to gain life skills and educational and job opportunities.

With Simon Abbott retiring as Chairman, there is now a need to recruit a new Chairman and also for more Suburb residents to join

the Trustees. The commitment is limited, shared with a group of like-minded and committed people, and demonstrably of value to the individuals who receive awards and to the Suburb as sustaining the Dame's beliefs and aims in a practical and life enhancing way. The opportunity to develop the work of the Fund further could be considerable.

For more information about the role of the Chairman and becoming a Trustee, please contact Simon Abbott on 8455 6537 or at [abbott.s@virgin.net](mailto:abbott.s@virgin.net).

## Working for a safer neighbourhood

The Garden Suburb Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) has been in existence for just over two years. In that time we have met a quite a few residents in a number of different circumstances. This has been whilst out on patrol, at street briefings or surgeries or some of the Community events such as Proms and Centenary Celebrations last year.

A large part of what we do is governed by the priorities set by the Community Action Partnership (CAP). We meet with this group every two months. It is made up of residents, members of the Residents Association and Neighbourhood Watch. Our current priorities are:

**Burglary** – we have met some residents in circumstances less pleasant than those described above, when they have been victims of this crime. As well as advising on security we have directed our patrols to affected areas. Some good arrests have resulted when sharp-eyed residents have dialled 999 when seeing individuals acting in a suspicious way in the vicinity of their neighbours.

**Motor vehicle crime** – As well as patrolling areas especially known for this, we have advised a number of people about leaving valuables on display in their vehicles.

**Anti-Social behaviour by motorists** – This is perhaps the most wide-ranging priority and affects most people in some shape or form. For some time we have operated a speed gun on the Finchley Road on a couple of days every month. A number of motorists have been warned and several tickets issued. Where

there have been complaints about speeding elsewhere we have liaised with Barnet Council which has installed sensors to quantify the matter. This is under constant review.

Please contact us if there are any matters that you feel we should be aware of. Our details are in the Yellow Suburb Directory. We are not a 24/7 team and are not on duty every day. In an emergency dial 999.

If you need to report a 'historic' crime – one which has not just happened – contact Barnet Police on 8200 1212. Reporting crime can also be done on the internet; please log on to [www.online.police.uk](http://www.online.police.uk)

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## An astonishing year for HBS

The Henrietta Barnett School had an astonishing year – during the Suburb's centenary. As well as supporting and helping with so many of the celebratory events, in July 2007 they were awarded Specialist School Status in Music and English.

This has meant improved music facilities for the girls, a new piano in Bigwood, new music storage, re-vamping of some of the music rooms, a dedicated Bands Room, a dedicated Apple Mac Music and Media IT suite and much more. In English it has brought a poet in residence, redecoration of the English classrooms, an annual Arts Award for the girls, a Key Stage 3 drama production and a week long Literary Festival starting this November and the very successful Literary Society festival.



## Humphrey Lyttelton

Paying tribute to Proms at St Jude's patron Humphrey Lyttelton, Susie Gregson, said, 'We are much saddened by the news that one of our Patrons, Humphrey Lyttelton, has passed away

following surgery. He was always warm and supportive of Proms, and we will miss his great musicianship and humour. His performance at the Proms last year, when the Suburb was celebrating its centenary, was to a packed house which enjoyed superb trad jazz interspersed by his ever-sharp dialogue and wit.

Humph, who lived in Arkley, appeared several times at Proms, always to great acclaim. He was an involved Patron, for example he readily agreed to appear in a short film, which is on our website, to promote this year's Proms. At its next meeting the Proms committee will decide how best to commemorate Humphrey Lyttelton at this year's festival."

## 20 year old Theatre Club still going strong

Would you like to buy reduced tickets for popular West End plays and musicals, be taken to the Theatre by coach and brought home again to Central Square or Temple Fortune, according to your preference?

If your answer is yes, then you will be pleased to know that membership of the Residents Association's Theatre Club for 2008/09 is now open. Apply to the Membership Secretary, Elaine Grays on 8458 8018.

## Focus on Fellowship

With summer hopefully finally arriving, Fellowship Croquet will recommence on the lawn behind the Clubhouse. Sessions take place every Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and beginners are welcome.

There is a bus outing to Henley for members taking place on 12 June. There are still a few places available. Contact Elizabeth Bagot on 8455 8029 for details.

A range of classes takes place at Fellowship House during the weekday mornings. Of special note is a new painting class every Monday morning being taken by Shizue Takashashi, who has regular exhibitions at the Gallery.

On Tuesday mornings there is a short course during the month of June on the painter Gustav Klimt and Vienna's Art Nouveau movement. Everyone is welcome to join these classes.

Every afternoon there are members' activities such as Tai Chi, Keep fit classes, and Music afternoons. The talks on Tuesday afternoons have proved to be very popular. There was a full house to hear Brian and Jenny Stonholds' talk about 'Down Under' and Colin Gregory's fascinating description of '100 Years of Suburb Theatre'. Future events include Lucretia Walker on 'Millais', Angus Walker on

'Montgomery', Pamela Wright on 'Octavia Hill' and Dr Lewis Wolpert on 'Depression'.

Fellowship is very grateful to its many volunteers. Without their help we would not be able to function. We are holding a party for volunteers in July when the committee hopes to thank everyone in person.

Coffee mornings take place every Friday; this a good occasion to drop in at Fellowship for a chat

and then take a look at the latest exhibition in the Gallery, which is open every day at Fellowship House. Anyone (over 60) wishing to become a member of Fellowship can pick up a membership form in the entrance hall.

Fellowship House provides residents with an excellent venue for private parties. The main hall is available at weekends for hire. The contact number for further details etc is 8455 5865.

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