



Thanks to Jonathan Ross (Edward Scissorhands) for welcoming Suburb children on Halloween

## Literary Society

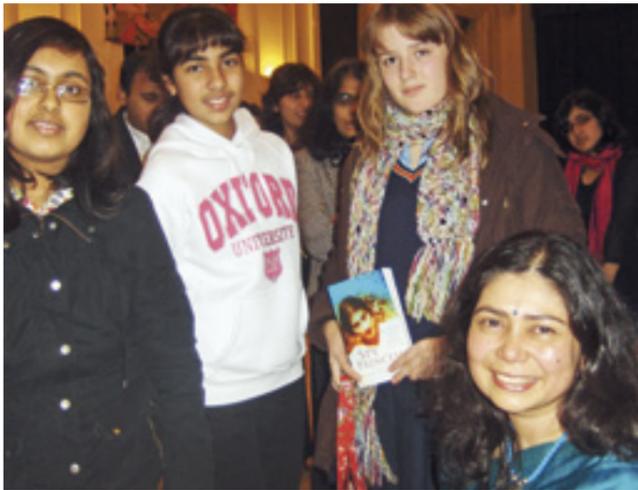
On 12 November 2009 author Shrabani Basu came hot foot to The Henrietta Barnett School Literary Society from making a pitch at the House of Commons for a permanent memorial to the Indian Muslim Princess, Noor Inayat Khan, who became the British World War II spy 'Madeleine'.

To mark Remembrance Week, the winners of this year's HBS Poetry Competition read their poems on 'Heroes and Heroines' to the audience, before Shrabani Basu spoke to Rev Alan Walker from St Jude's Church about 'Madeleine' and read extracts from

her book. Shrabani answered many questions from a fascinated audience and then signed copies.

The next two HBS Literary Society events are: 18 March 2010 – An Evening with Anne Widdecombe 29 April 2010 – An Evening with Julian Fellowes

Information and tickets, at £5 each, payable to HBS Trust, plus sae, are available from Jo Velleman, The Henrietta Barnett School, Central Square, London NW11 7BN, telephone 020 8209 9730 or you can email development@hbschool.org.uk.



Shrabani Basu signs copies of her book

## Duncan J. Maclean

Good old fashioned paintwork – guaranteed to last longer

Interior decorating requires a whole range of additional skills to exterior decorating. The number of types of surfaces and varying conditions to be found are large. The standard of finish must be much higher if only because the surfaces are subject to much closer view, than, for example, the first floor windows or the gables of the house. The wide range of finishes the customer can choose from, or ask for, demands a breadth of experience and training that only the more experienced tradesman will have.

Interior decorating intrudes upon your home and family life much more than any other work you may have done. The decorator may work in your home for several weeks, or even a few months if you are having the whole house re-decorated. It is essential that the decorator is polite, courteous, thoughtful and ever mindful of the fact that it is your home. I have a great respect for customers who continue to have work done year after year. It takes a certain amount of courage and a great deal of tolerance to invite workmen into your home for several weeks every year. My men have become accepted as friends by many families and welcomed back into their homes year after year.

Tel: +44 (0) 208 444 6970

Fax: +44 (0) 208 365 2865

Email: duncan@duncanmaclean.co.uk

Web: www.duncanmaclean.co.uk

Duncan J MacLean,  
Huntingdon Works, Huntingdon Road,  
East Finchley, London, N2 9DX



## Making your RA work!

As the HGSRA chairman I am all too aware that the association exists to serve the residents, but is also dependent on those same residents to volunteer to do the work necessary to keep the whole thing running and achieve our objectives.

The RA council and its committees need members to help evolve and implement policies. Events, like the big New Year's firework display which hundreds of you enjoy each year, require volunteers as planners, publicists, stewards, helpers to organise and serve the pre-event drinks in St Jude's and those who stay behind

to clear up after the event and on the following morning.

The Suburb Gallery also needs to increase its number of regular volunteers. The list of skills we need is almost endless. Suburb News needs to recruit more volunteers to deliver three times a year (especially to the flats).

If you feel you have the time, expertise, experience or enthusiasm to offer, do get in touch. You can email me at rachairman@hgs.org.uk. Please include your name, address and telephone number and, if you wish, indicate what you might be willing to do.

JANET ELLIOTT

## Bridge club

Come and join the Bridge Club at Norrice Lea Synagogue Hall every Monday, with professional Alex Davoud (of 'Mr Bridge' magazine). Newcomers are always welcome.

Advanced knowledge of card-play runs from 11am to 1pm, including refreshments, £5. From 2 to 4 pm it's Improvers supervision, with refreshments, also £5.

## Lawn bowling

This summer was my first of full retirement and I was looking for new activities. I decided to try bowling, mistakenly thinking it was not too physical (I was always a bit of a slouch) but it would give me the opportunity to spend time outside in gentle social exercise.

I joined Temple Fortune Club as our family has been involved with it through the squash and tennis sections plus many social events, and I had always found the club very friendly.

The bowlers were extremely welcoming, encouraging and friendly to a beginner and it is surprising how good the summer is when you are outside being active. I have really enjoyed my first year of bowling (and ladies you don't have to wear those pleated skirts unless you wish to;

trousers are quite acceptable) and would thoroughly recommend Bowls for anyone looking for a new and challenging activity.

This year The Temple Fortune Club Bowls Section starts its summer season on 17 April and anyone who would like to try the game can play for the first month with no obligation to join.

Anyone interested can visit the club on Saturday 6th March from 7.30pm for a drink and nibbles or ring Debbie (Club Bowls coach) 020 8203 9052 or Janet (Club manager) 020 8455 2184 to ensure a warm welcome when they come.

I would be happy to tell you more about the game and the Club if you would like to call me at home on 020 8455 4372.

PHYLLIS ELLIS

## WORDSEARCH

In the box below are concealed 20 names of poets of FOUR or more letters; and an extra one highlighted to start you off (don't include it in your total!). Names may be read in all directions, straight or diagonally. Entries should be listed on paper or a postcard and sent to Diana Woodfield, 5 Erskine Hill, NW11 6HA with your name, address and phone number. The closing date is March 26. The sender of the first correct (or nearly correct) entry will win a £20 voucher from Joseph's Bookstore.

R K I P L I N G V Y M T A B S  
L E T Y I G N R L E C O U P D  
O A B N F I G A W N E R D Z O  
S T Q A N H P Y J A S B E E M  
G S I W P U O K R E L H N N E  
U U O D O C U K C H A U C E R  
N R N A C R N F I G R G T E A  
B C T N X E D O S J K H A G H  
M A S E F I E L D O  
R E X H E V H Y W D N S L I U  
O F C I G E N Z P O S I K R S  
N G M I L T O N U B R A D E M  
A K S L N O S Y N N E T O L A  
Y N E L I O T U T R I C H O N  
F Y U P A Q N E V J S A L C W

DIANA WOODFIELD

The wordsearch prize is sponsored by

### JOSEPH'S BOOKSTORE

Monthly events: jewish studies, scientific and jazz evenings plus authors at Joseph's Bookstore and Cafe Also. E-mail to join mail list - info@josephsbookstore.com 1257 Finchley Road, Temple Fortune - 8731 7575

## SUMMER WORDSEARCH ANSWER

The 20 famous explorers were: Aldrin, Amundsen, Armstrong, Burton, Columbus, Cook, Da Gama, Darwin, Franklin, Gagarin, Hudson, Livingstone, Magellan, Mallory, Marcopolo, Nansen, Scott, Shackleton, Speke, Tasman.



A big audience as always for St Jude's junior church as they keep with tradition in their annual nativity play which raises funds to send to St John's church in Jawalla, Guyana

## Hampstead rugby club

The club has had a very successful first half of the season.

They were four points behind the leaders Tabard whom they were scheduled to meet on 10 January. The adverse weather led to this crucial game for both teams being postponed until the 6 February.

They have played eleven league games, won nine, scored 244 points with 186 against. They beat both their local rivals – Finchley by 29 to 20 and UCS Old Boys 31 to 7. The club continues to put out five teams each Saturday and guarantees to give all playing members a game, whatever their standard.

The women's team has thus far swept all before them, scoring in their league games a magnificent 228 points having had only 25 scored against them. A continuation of this form in the second half of the season will see them promoted for the second time in three seasons. Both teams play on the Heath Extension, the men on Sunday afternoons and the women at Saturday lunchtime: new players are always welcome.

Full information can be found on their website or via the secretary Mark Spilsbury on 07967 154 173.

TOM SALES

## Wordsearch winner

A thin response on explorers, despite the 40th anniversary of the moon landing! But congratulations to Mrs Moya Page for winning with a complete entry. She has lived on the Suburb for 84 years and has six grandsons and one

great granddaughter. She used to work in the BBC talks department and later at UC hospital. She is a keen member of Fellowship.

And if you don't quite manage to complete the puzzle, still send in your entry. You never know!

## CLEAR SKIES AHEAD

With us, your future is in safe hands. We have the expertise to get results, whatever the climate. That is why 73% of our clients come back to us.

For more information please contact the Hampstead office on 020 7431 8686

[KnightFrank.co.uk](http://KnightFrank.co.uk)

