

Suburb Picnic in pictures



The rain held off for the RA's big Fun Day picnic on Central Square



Thrills for children



Norrice Lea youth sold strawberries for Hospice



Library volunteers Andia Farrokhzadeh and Virginia Segal



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Police cadets



Donkeys, patient and popular



Ruth Jacobs and Christine Rafferty, driving forces behind the event



There were lots of tables for ten



Helen Harris and Anne Melbourne represent The Institute



Farm Walk tennis champions seek members

Royal visit for Suburb gardens

On 11 June HRH Prince Edward visited the gardens of Marjorie Harris in Erskine Hill, Diane Berger in Willifield Way and Yvonne Oliver in Asmuns Hill, as Patron of the London Gardens Society, of which all three are members.

The event was organised by John Dalziel of the London Gardens Society, who arranges for the Prince to view some of London's private gardens each year, just as his grandmother the Queen Mother did when she came to the Suburb as Patron of the LGS in the 1970s. Prince Edward met and chatted to dignitaries, including the Mayor and Mayoress of Barnet, to family and friends of the garden owners and to Suburb residents who had gathered nearby to watch, spending 15 minutes in each garden. Marjorie, Diane and Yvonne were impressed by Prince Edward's relaxed manner, knowledge of gardening and how interested he was in their choice and layout of plants and the number of large trees within and surrounding their small gardens. Having driven himself

to the Suburb for the visit, he then walked from Erskine Hill to Willifield Way and Asmuns Hill through the twittens, the idea of which he found fascinating. The four motor cycle outriders who had escorted him were left to cool their heels and drink tea in Marjorie's garden, before picking him up again in Asmuns Hill for the journey to his next garden in Muswell Hill.



HRH Prince Edward visits the gardens of Yvonne Oliver (above), Diane Berger (below) and Marjorie Harris (right)



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