



The newsletter of the Enfield Preservation Society

Scalping Trees?

This was the title of a comment in our internet discussion list. Paul D Smith was concerned at the ‘scalping’ of the lime and plane trees in Park Crescent, Enfield, and queried whether there were any tree people who could comment on this. He asks “Is removing all the new growth back to large branches, leaving no leaves or young branches at all, a good thing to do to a tree at this time of the year? Is such treatment going to cause them to slowly die as they now have to recover, grow some leaves and hopefully put on enough energy to survive the winter?” The answers to the questions are “Emphatically no” and “Yes”.

Regrettably there has been only one response to my appeal in the last newsletter for volunteers to form a revived Trees Group, so we have to soldier on without one. A pity. But I can explain that this new policy of severely lopping trees is the result of the revised Enfield Highways Tree Management Strategy, introduced a few years ago as a compromise following a proposal to fell the trees along Fox Lane. There had been claims against Enfield Council for subsidence compensation. Limes and planes were to be pollarded every second year with a few exceptions for very prominent specimens. Two problems. Firstly the treatment meted out is increasingly drastic. The trees coming up this year for their second treatment have been cut back even more severely to little more than stumps, rather than just trimming back the new growth. Secondly, the policy takes no account of different subsoil conditions. Planes along Carterhatch Lane, where there is little risk of subsidence, have been dealt with just as severely as those on the heavy clay in Fox Lane. This policy also seems blind to trees as things of beauty. How can they be, when their natural form is constantly hacked away?

Chris Jephcott



Plane tree in Old Park Ridings



“Scalped” lime trees in Park Avenue, Bush Hill Park



Newly pollarded plane tree in Carterhatch Lane

Bush Hill Park Conservation Area Street tree policy

The piece in our Autumn 2006 newsletter about the proposed treatment of the shrub verges and highway trees in Bush Hill Park caused considerable interest and concern. Subsequently the Conservation Advisory Group were informed of much more enlightened proposals regarding the shrub verges now being put forward. Missing limes will be replanted using the small leaved variety, which cause fewer problems with honeydew and grow more slowly. Unfortunately it is now envisaged that the large, mature limes should in future be pollarded, possibly back to the original pollard points, so removing tens of years of growth. We are not happy with this policy. Whatever their original treatment, the mature limes are responsible for much of the character of the conservation area as recognised in the appraisal document. My photos of recently treated limes in Park Avenue give some idea what to expect.

Chris Jephcott

An apology

The last edition of EPS News contained an entry stating that the Society had objected strongly to a planning application for change of use of the former Aquatic Centre at Crews Hill to the sale of landscaping and gardening materials.

This was misleading and referred to an earlier application last year which was refused permission. We did not object to a subsequent application, which was however published after the newsletter had gone to press. The materials would be displayed for sale and delivered from elsewhere. The proposals should in fact considerably improve the appearance of the very prominent Theobalds Park Road / Cattlegate Road corner and involve the removal of many derelict built structures, a storage area for scrap metal and a lorry park, as well as restoring the locally listed Old Plough, which makes such a contribution to the character of the area. The applicants, Land Inspired Gardens, obviously have the interests of the Green Belt very much at heart and we apologise sincerely for creating the wrong impression.

Chris Jephcott

Conservation news

Lee House saved

Good news for the Enfield Lock Conservation Area. Two attempts to demolish derelict but distinctive Lee House, 1840-50, at the entrance to the British Waterways depot, because of its poor structural condition were turned down. Now there is an application to convert the house into five flats, so the positive contribution it makes will not be lost. A vindication of determination to prevent the character of these areas being steadily eroded.

Three extra storeys on New River House?

Less good is the news that Lionsgate Properties, who wish to build 191 residential units at Coleman Parade, including three extra storeys on New River (formerly Bovril) House, have appealed against Enfield Council's refusal of planning permission. There is to be a public Inquiry.

Victorian stables not listed

Less encouraging also is the refusal of English Heritage to list the very attractive Victorian stables block at Trent Park – one of their more inexplicable decisions.

Southgate station

The Conservation Advisory Group (CAG) were told that, as part of a partnership bid, £150,000 has been made available by the Council to upgrade the area around Southgate station, to eliminate street clutter, improve footways and signage and restore lost items of street furniture designed by Holden as part of his original scheme.

Enfield Heritage Fund

It was also reported to the CAG that a bid for funding from the Council's capital budget for an Enfield Heritage Fund had been successful and £1m, spread over five years, had been agreed for heritage regeneration schemes in the two Edmonton conservation areas and, in particular, The Crescent on Hertford Road.

Chris Jephcott

Spurs

Donations for Spurs' Appeal

We have had a tremendous response to our appeal for funds to help meet the costs of the Society being separately represented at the public inquiry. To date (mid April), including the value of Gift Aid tax reclaims, we have received just a fraction under £10,000 from our very generous members. We do not know how much we will need in total as we do not yet know how long the inquiry will last; whatever the length, our costs are going to be very substantial. Any further donations will be gratefully received – cheques can be made payable to EPS and sent to Jubilee Hall.

Spurs at Bulls Cross.

At the time of preparing this newsletter we still do not know the date of the public inquiry to hear Spurs' appeal against the decision of the Council to refuse planning permission for a football academy and training complex in the Green Belt at Bulls Cross.

The Planning Inspectorate has convened a meeting of the parties involved on 30th April to decide, among other matters, the date for the hearing and the length of time to be allocated for it.

Colin Pointer

Hatton Walk

The pedestrian area within the Palace Exchange shopping centre has been given the name "Hatton Walk" after Sir Christopher Hatton, Lord Chancellor to Queen Elizabeth I of England. He joins



several other eminent Elizabethans who are commemorated in streets in the area: Raleigh, Sydney, Cecil and Essex.

Leonard Will

Stanley Smith — an appreciation

Irene and Stanley Smith joined EPS nearly 40 years ago. Very soon afterwards Irene became honorary secretary, a post she held for 27 years until her death in 1996. During those years Stanley supported Irene in many different ways from word processing to chauffeuring and as projectionist.

Stanley became honorary treasurer of EPS in 1991 for two years and joined the Council of Management, the predecessor of the Management Committee of today. Stanley has announced that he will retire from the Management Committee at the AGM in June after 16 years of service. He has served EPS in so many ways over the years that the following can give only a partial view of his activities.

Stanley was one of the small group of five volunteers, who over a period of two years under the guidance of Len Keeble, worked to transform what was a warehouse into the fine Jubilee Hall headquarters of today.

For many years Stanley has provided projection facilities for the talks at Jubilee Hall, laid out the chairs, looked after the heating and acted as general handyman at the Hall.

For a long period he was responsible for the publications side of EPS covering sales, accounting for stock and arranging deliveries. It must be noted that the healthy state of EPS finances today is due in large part to the sale of publications over the years.

He has long been concerned with protection of the Green Belt and for many years has been the EPS representative on the London Green Belt Council. He also acted as Treasurer for the Council for ten years from 1996.

As a keen photographer Stanley took many of the pictures that now feature in the range of EPS postcards. He recorded much of the planting of trees that EPS has provided across Enfield. Stanley has also acted as a guide to all the 'Walks Round Enfield' to date.

EPS has good reason to be grateful for the contribution he has made in so many ways over the years. It is good to know that he will continue to be associated with EPS in the years to come.

Tony Langston

Edmonton Group

Congratulations to the Friends of Jubilee Park for the improvements they have achieved. EPS financed the trees which were planted to shade the children's play area in March (see photo). There will be another Walk Round Edmonton guided by members of the group on 5 July to which all are welcome. A major concern at present is the possible loss of Kenninghall Public Open Space in an area of the borough where there are few such green areas.

Monica Smith



Tree planting in Edmonton by Friends of Jubilee Park, with Monica Smith (in EPS red top)

Diary dates

Until 3rd June

Come out to live, come in to play – an exhibition which tells the story of the relationship between London and its suburbs through London Underground posters from the 1920s and 30s; at the Museum of Domestic Design and Architecture, Cat Hill. Admission free. Open Tuesday to Saturday 10am to 5pm and Sundays 2-5pm (closed Mondays)

10th June, 2.30 pm

Heritage walk: Forty Hill (see p. 7)

26th June, 7.30 pm

EPS Annual General Meeting, Mount Carmel Centre, London Road, Enfield

5th July, 7.00 pm

Heritage walk: Edmonton (see p. 7)

8th July, 12.00 noon - 4.00 pm

Open day, Myddelton House Gardens, Bulls Cross, Enfield, hosted by London Wildlife Trust and Lee Valley Park. Refreshments, plant sale and children's activities. Admission: £2.60, concessions £2.00. Free car park. Further details: Marion Sellers, 020 8804 5909.

18th July, 7.45 for 8.00 pm

Enfield Hundred Historical Society meeting at Jubilee Hall: **Enfield in World War I**, by Graham Dalling.

5th August, 2.30 pm

Heritage walk: Winchmore Hill (see p.7)

19th August, 10.00 am

Joint working party with Enfield Conservation Volunteers, Jubilee Park, Edmonton.

Until 25 August

Ordinary people – extraordinary lives, an exhibition celebrating the achievement of individuals from a variety of ethnic backgrounds, ages and abilities who live or work in the borough of Enfield. Edmonton Green Library, Monday to Thursday 9 am-7pm, Friday and Saturday 9am-5pm

8th & 9th September

Autumn Show, Town Park

14th-15th September

Open House, London

The Enfield Word Wall

In our last issue we featured the metal frieze that decorates the Palace Exchange development, and hoped to see a plaque giving a transcription and an acknowledgement of the artist.

We are very glad to report that such a plaque has now been produced, and was unveiled by the Mayor of Enfield, Councillor Tony Dey, at a small ceremony on Monday, 23rd April. A copy of the plaque will be mounted at either end of the "Word Wall".

The Enfield Word Wall features snapshots of actual conversations about life in Enfield over the decades, provided by local Enfield people: L Alexander, I Bishop-Laggett, N Brobbey, C Jephcott, K Lascelle, V Munday, L Peck, S Taylor and R Thompson. It was funded by ING Real Estate Development

Devised and designed by innovative graphic artist Lara Farnham at London based Portland Design, the Enfield Word Wall features a series of interlocking metal letters that form words and phrases reflecting Enfield's history, culture and heritage. Extracts from original conversations were put together to create the content, and it is intended to represent all generations by creating a snapshot of our time that becomes both an historical and a current statement.

The concept behind the design is to provide a unique and relevant piece of public art for Enfield based on the words and phrases of residents. These are combined into a filigree lace effect to look attractive by day and also by night, when it is backlit behind the text and simultaneously illuminated by projectors from across the street, creating the effects of contrasting hues of colour moving across the facade.

Leonard Will



Photo: Christopher Rowell at Architen Lighting Division, Architen Landrell Associates Ltd.

The text of the Word Wall, as given on the plaque, is as follows:

Enfield. We speak up about where we live. My Mum liked the fact that I could walk to school through Trent Park and get home via the sweet shop just as dinner was on the table. There were big changes during the thirties - Southbury Road had trams not cars and lots more houses were built. I was evacuated during the war but back in time for the doodlebugs and our Anderson shelter. The rusty flakes used to drop off the ceiling into your eyes at night. Well... we survived, but a lot didn't. The parish church and the grammar school are the real old nucleus. The market's been there hundreds of years. Down the high street you hear 'get your apples and pears!'. You see ten people you know and it's like 'hi, how are you?'. Some you don't know names you just know the faces, but everyone says hello when you go past. Fifty million people later you've said hello to everyone. I could talk for hours about shopping. Yesterday's fashion makes today's fashion. Most shops have been here for a long time, and now we're regenerating the shops we have. Clothes, jewellery, shoes? Oh I love shopping! I really, really do. My favourite night out? It's being with my friends. Go down the George, or is it the Goose? Or seeing a jazz or blues band with the thumping beat you can hear down the street. I really enjoyed growing up here. Some of my best memories are of chucking ourselves down Hilly Fields in summer on big plastic sheets, in winter on toboggans. Remember when it snowed in Grovelands Park? And then there's all the greenery. It's a proper rural enclave - nice, peaceful and calm and it's only one step away from London. I think when you are young you don't kind of really think how big Enfield actually is - it's your own little world...

Enfelde. Domesday 1086. St. Andrew's church. Enfield Chase. Enfield Market 1303. Elsyng Hall Grammar School 1558. Town's street layout 1572. Forty Hall. Gentleman's Row. Lea Valley Railway 1840. Enfield Town Station. New River. Lee Enfield rifle 1895. The diode valve. Electric trams 1909. WW1. Cambridge Road 1924. WW2. Palace Gardens 1982. M25 1986. Palace Exchange 2006.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM for 2007 will be held at the Mount Carmel Centre, London Road, on Tuesday 26th June. Enclosed with this newsletter is the formal Notice convening the AGM, the Management Committee Report and Accounts, together with an explanatory note on the proposed changes to the Memorandum of Association. Apart from the normal business of the AGM there will be two special resolutions – one to approve the new Memorandum and the other to approve the change of name of the Society; the name change is highlighted in a separate article below.

After the break for refreshments Bryan Hewitt will give an illustrated talk on E A Bowles of Myddelton House. This will be a rare opportunity to hear about the life and times, and of course the garden, of one of our greatest horticulturists and plantsmen, by probably the most knowledgeable authority on Gussie Bowles.

At the end of the AGM we will be losing two valuable members of the Management Committee, as Stanley Smith and Stephen Hoye will be retiring. An appreciation of Stanley is on page 3. Stephen has been our Secretary for a number of years and we will be very sorry to lose him; we must have a replacement Secretary and hope that the entry in our Situations Vacant column will bring in a number of inquiries.

Colin Pointer

Change of name: “The Enfield Society”

We are pleased to report that we are now able to change our name to “The Enfield Society” which was the preferred choice of the Management Committee. Our local Mencap group has recently been incorporated as Enfield Mencap and has relinquished its former shortened title of The Enfield Society. Many of our members were unhappy with a change of name to Enfield Civic Society so we anticipate that the revised name will be more acceptable to a large majority of members, although we appreciate that some will still be against any change. A special resolution to approve the change of name will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting on 26th June.

Colin Pointer



This is the last newsletter before the AGM, at which the future name of the Society will be decided. Certainly ‘Enfield Civic Society’ did not provoke a good reaction. So it is fortunate that the ‘Enfield Society’ option has now become available, in my view the best alternative. I will not comment further. The reasons why the Management Committee voted in favour of a change have been fully aired. Now it's up to the members.

One of the documents recently circulated for consultation by English Heritage is ‘*Consultation principles, policies and guidance for the sustained management of the historic environment*’. It reads very sensibly, setting out all the issues in a methodical and understandable manner. One soon gets used to the jargon. I thought the style seemed familiar and so I was not altogether surprised to read that the text was prepared by Paul Drury and Anna McPherson of The Paul Drury Partnership – the same consultants who

brought out Enfield's excellent Conservation Area Appraisals documents. For those interested, an electronic copy may be found on the website <www.english-heritage.org.uk/conservationprinciples>. Unfortunately the consultation closes on 11th May.

Another important consultation document, published on 1st March, is the Heritage White Paper, a summary of which is available on the HELM (Historic Environment Local Management) website at <www.helm.org.uk>. This proposes wholesale reform of the heritage protection system, and consultation ends on 1st June. I will cover this in detail in the next EPS News. One interesting suggestion is that consent should be needed for the demolition of locally listed buildings. At the moment they have no more protection than any other building.

Chris Jephcott

Jubilee Hall meetings

Tuesday mornings 10 for 10.30 am

29th May

Pilgrimage through The Holy Land, by Ian Cameron Black, with slides

26th June

Canoes, coconuts and crocodiles, by Joan Van Straaten

31st July

Jersey Zoo and the work of Gerald Durrell, by Barry Kaufmann –Wright

August – no meeting

25th September

My childhood in the Australian bush, by Coral Cox

Thursday evenings 7.30 for 8 pm

17th May

Identifying Victorian photographs, by Tom Doig. Please bring along any old photographs that you think are interesting.

June

No meeting. (EPS AGM on 26th June)

19th July

Around Suffolk, by Frank Bayford, with slides

August – no meeting



Cycle paths

A growing number of disconnected cycle paths is spreading throughout Enfield. Sometimes, the positioning seems to owe more to the urge to be politically correct rather than to considerations of common sense. The illustrated example is in Churchbury Lane alongside the Civic Centre, it starts nowhere, goes nowhere and is 30 feet long. Perhaps it is a subliminal message to the occupants of the Civic Centre to get on their bikes and to leave their cars at home.

Tony Langston

Future walks

Note: Train details are correct at press date but the EPS cannot accept responsibility for last minute changes.

Please always check: for National Rail train enquiries and times ring 08457 48 49 50; for London area Tube, DLR and bus details, ring 020 7222 1234.

Reduced price train travel: GroupSave Cheap Day Return tickets allow 3 or 4 adults to travel together for the price of 2 adults on First Capital Connect, Silverlink, Chiltern or One Railway. Even for travel to the start of linear walks, GroupSave Day Return tickets are normally cheaper than buying a standard price single but you must travel as a group, not separately.

Wed 23 May

Meet **11.00am** Richmond Station for about 6 mile circular walk via Petersham Meadows, Richmond Park and Isabella Plantation. Shorter options. Bring lunch or food available. *Leader:* Norman Coles

Sat 26 May

Meet **2.30pm** at The White Hart, South Mimms (1.48pm 398 bus or 2.04pm 84 bus from Potters Bar Station) for about 3 to 3.5 hour circular walk via Ridge and Shenley. *Leader:* Ken Cooper

Mon 28 May

Meet **10.36am** Hemel Hempstead (Boxmoor) Station (9.54 or 10.04am trains from Euston) for about 9 mile circular walk through contrasting scenery with fine views. By car about 45 mins from Enfield via M25 (junction 20) & A41. Bring lunch or pub food probably available. *Leader:* Stuart Mills

Sun 3 June

Little Berkhamstead Open Day. Meet **10.50am** Bayford Station (10.37am train from Enfield Chase but check for possible engineering works) or **11.00am** in Bayford Village for car drivers but please park considerately. 6 mile circular walk allowing ample time to view open gardens and other activities/events. Admission £3.00 per person. Bring lunch or pub food, teas etc. available. *Leader:* Norman Coles

Wed 6 June

Meet **10.15am** Enfield Lock (at 121 bus terminus) for 2.5 to 3 hour circular walk via waterways and the newly opened Gunpowder Park and wildflower meadows. *Leader:* Christine Fookes

Tues 12 June

Meet **7.30pm** outside St Luke's Church (junction of Browning Road and Phipps Hatch Lane) for 2 hour circular walk through Hilly Fields and Whitewebbs on a summer evening. *Leader:* Ken Cooper

Sat 16 June

Meet **10.30am** Berkhamsted Station (9.34am or 9.54am trains from Euston) for 10 to 11 mile circular walk in a scenic and remote part of the Chilterns via Cholesbury. By car about 45 mins from Enfield via M25 (junction 20) and A41. Bring lunch or pub food probably available. *Leader:* Colin Adams

Wed 20 June

Meet **10.25am** Cheshunt Station (10.16am train from Southbury Station) for 2.5 hour circular walk via Cornmill Meadows and River Lea. Option to end at coffee break. *Leader:* Brenda Brown

Sat 30 June

Meet **10.30am** at The Arkley Hotel, Barnet (307 bus terminus) for circular walk via Totteridge and Mill Hill villages. Shorter options. Bring lunch or pub food probably available. *Leaders:* Carol Cope & Kinu Ohki

Wed 4 July

Meet **11.00am** outside front door to Kenwood House, Hampstead Lane, NW3 (210 bus from Finsbury Park) for 2.5 hour circular walk over the Heath. Optional lunch at Kenwood allowing time in afternoon to perhaps view the House interior/collections or relax in the gardens. Suggest car drivers use nearby roads to park. *Leader:* Ken Cooper

Sun 8 July

Braughing Village Open Day. Meet **10.30am** at public car park in Huntsman Close (off High Street) in centre of Puckeridge village for max 8 mile circular walk (morning 5 miles, afternoon 3 or 1 mile) with ample time to view the 10 or more open gardens and displays, events/activities in beautiful Braughing village. Admission to gardens £5. Bring lunch or pub food, teas etc. available. *Leader:* Stuart Mills

Mon 16 July

London/Surrey border. About 9 mile linear walk via downland, woods & commons all within Freedom Pass/zones 1-6 Travelcard area. Either meet leader at Enfield Chase for **9.32am** train, Finsbury Park mainline station platform 2 at **9.50am** or Kings Cross Thameslink southbound platform for **10.25am** train to East Croydon. Bring lunch or food probably available. *Leader:* Stuart Mills

Wed 18 July

Meet **7.30pm** at junction of Oak Avenue with The Ridgeway (near 313 bus stop) for evening 2 hour circular walk in Enfield's countryside. *Leader:* Colin Adams

Sat 28 July

Meet **10.30am** St Margaret's Station (9.46am train from Southbury Station changing at Cheshunt for 10.10am train) for 7 to 8 mile circular walk via River Ash valley and Wareside. Bring lunch or pub food available. *Leader:* Brian Frear

Wed 1 August

Meet **10.40am** Hertford North Station (10.21am train from Enfield Chase) for circular walk with lunch stop and option to end early in Bayford. Bring lunch or pub food available. *Leader:* Ray Moss

Sat 11 August

Meet **10.30am** Kings Langley Station (10.04am train from Euston) for about 9 mile circular walk via canal, commons, woods & villages. Shorter option. By car about 35 mins from Enfield via M25 (junction 20). Bring lunch or pub food. *Leader:* Stuart Mills

Wed 15 August

Meet **10.15am** Cockfosters Station for 2.5 to 3 hour circular walk through Trent Park. *Leader:* Norman Coles

Sat 25 August

Meet **2.20pm** Watton-at-Stone Station (timing of train from Enfield Chase not available at EPS newscopy date) for 3 to 3.5 hour circular walk including a visit to the Datchworth Church Flower Festival. *Leaders:* Carol Cope & Kinu Ohki

Mon 27 August

Meet **11.00am** Ashwell & Morden Station (by Cambridge trains from Kings Cross, Finsbury Park or Potters Bar - timings not available at EPS newscopy date) for 8 to 9 mile circular walk via Therfield in an area of long distance views. By car via A10 to Royston then A505 westwards towards Baldock for about 5 miles. Bring lunch or pub food probably available. Details 8360 0282. *Leader:* Roy Nicholls

Wed 29 August

London Loop. Meet **10.15am** Enfield Lock (at 121 bus terminus) for 4 to 5 mile linear walk via Sewardstone Hills and Epping Forest ending at Chingford. Return to Enfield by 313 bus. *Leader:* Monica Smith

Stuart Mills

Heritage walks

It has been decided not to hold our annual *Walk round Enfield* this year, and instead to do three walks included in the new EPS publication *Heritage walks in the London Borough of Enfield*.

Sunday, 10th June, 2.30 pm

Forty Hill and Bulls Cross. Starting from the car park in the grounds of Forty Hall, there will be guides to take you around this interesting area giving the history of the various places and houses. This is a circular walk.

Thursday, 5th July, 7.00 pm

Edmonton. Commencing from Millfield House, Silver Street, guides will cover this area pointing out noteworthy buildings and their history. The walk will end at the Charity School, Church Street.

Sunday, 5th August, 2.30 pm

Winchmore Hill. Starting on The Green, you will be taken around the conservation area by the guides, with a possible visit to St. Paul's Church and ending in Grovelands Park.

All the walks will finish near a cafe for those needing refreshment.

As numbers are limited, tickets, which are free, will be available from EPS headquarters. Please apply in writing for the walk(s) you wish to do, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope, to "Walks, Jubilee Hall, 2 Parsonage Lane, Enfield EN2 0AJ" and the tickets will be sent to you.

Sadie Isaksson

Hilly Fields bandstand concerts

10th June, 3.00 - 5.30 pm

Concorde Big Band, with Colin the Clown to entertain the children.

1st July, 3.00 - 5.15 pm

Enfield Citadel Salvation Band, with Youth Band.

22nd July 22, 3.00 - 6.00 pm

Colin Peters Quartet, with Digby Fairweather and Trudy Kerr

12th August, 3.00 - 5.15 pm

Merengada (Salsa)

Collections will be in aid of the North London Hospice, Wildlife Rescue Service, St Johns Church restoration

appeal, and Enfield Alzheimer's Society.

Parking. Please advise friends to use Whitewebbs Golf Course car park, via Beggars Hollow, which is the first turning behind the Rose & Crown public house, and NOT to Park in Browning Road alongside Hilly Fields as it obstructs the traffic.

I'm sure we are all looking forward to another season of concerts. If weather is inclement we will try to use St Lukes Church. I look forward to seeing you all. For further information, please use our website: <www.hillyfields.info>

*Tony Claydon
Chairman 'Friends of Hilly Fields'*

Enfield Parks Outreach Team — guided walks

For more details of these walks see the Council's web site*, or contact the Team on 020 8441 8272 or 020 8449 2459.

Sunday 20th May, 1.00 - 2.30 pm

Tatem Park butterfly and dragonfly walk

Thursday 7th June, 6.30 - 8.00 pm

Forty Hall Farm tour

Sunday 17th June, 10.00 am - 5.00 pm

Enfield Parks cycle ride

Wednesday 20th June, 10.00 am - 12.00 noon

Forty Hall butterfly walk

Tuesday 26th June 6.15 - 8.00 pm

Beech Barn Farm tour

Friday 13th July 9.00 pm - 12.00 midnight

Grovelands Park moth and bat evening

Sunday 22nd July 10.00 am (4-5 hours)

Forty Hall Circular Walk

Wednesday 8th August 6.45 - 8.30 pm

Parkside Farm tour

Sunday 19th August 10.00 am (4-5 hours)

Albany Park to Chingford (The London Loop, section 18)

*Go to <www.enfield.gov.uk> and then choose the following path through the menus: Leisure and culture > Parks and open spaces > Events > Guided Walks April-September '07



Navigation holds no terrors for EPS' intrepid walkers, who find *PEACE OF MIND* on the river. The first picture is from a walk at Roydon on Saturday, 31st March, while the second is from a walk by the Thames at Richmond on Saturday, 24th February. (Photographs by John R Bourne.)

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Trees
[See "Situations vacant" column on right]

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Comings and goings

Situations vacant

The following posts are all voluntary and unpaid, but important to enable the Society to fulfil its objectives for the benefit of the community. If you think you can help in any way in these areas, please do get in touch.

Secretary to the Society

This important, but not too onerous, post combines being the Company Secretary to the Society as an incorporated company and also the Secretary to the Trustees of the Society as a registered charity. Some organisational skills are necessary but experience in the field, although helpful, is certainly not essential. For further information please contact Colin Pointer (020 8366 2406).

Evening meetings organiser

We need someone to obtain speakers for nine Thursday evening meetings per year at Jubilee Hall and to manage the arrangements. These meetings are a popular EPS feature and provide pleasure and information for members. No previous experience is necessary. For further information contact Janet McQueen (020 8367 7374)

Trees Group

The Trees Group was established in 1963, and has made a great contribution to the environment of Enfield by promoting the provision and care of trees. The original members of the group have all moved on, and keen new members are urgently required. EPS provides funding for the provision of trees in selected open spaces, and has the possibility of developing a tree nursery to take shoots supplied by members and to grow them on until they can be planted out in the Borough. The Leader of the group provides the main contact between EPS and Enfield Council on all matters pertaining to tree management in Enfield. The Leader should be an enthusiast for and knowledgeable about trees. For further information contact Chris Jephcott (020 8360 5677).

Obituaries

Sadly we report on the deaths of two more outstanding members of the Society.

Olive Sellick

Olive Sellick joined the EPS in 1963 and through her great interest in everything photographic she was a valuable source of information on the Society's extensive archive of photographs. Through Olive we had access to Enfield Camera Club and their expertise and help over many decades and she supported all our activities with enthusiasm. We offer our condolence to her family and we are fortunate that Stephen continues the family connection and interest.

Colin Pointer

Richard Reyland

It is sad to report the death of another long standing, active member of the Architecture and Planning Group. Richard Reyland died earlier this year after a short illness. He lived all his life in Carisbrook Close and so knew Enfield well. After a successful career in the Civil Service, on retirement he turned his attention to various good causes, including the EPS. Enthusiastic and hard working, he acquired an extensive knowledge of in particular Enfield Wash and Ponders End. His valuable contributions and pertinent comments will be difficult to replace. Always impeccably turned out, well read with a broad range of interests and good company, he will be missed.

Chris Jephcott

New members

We warmly welcome the following new members:

Miss J. Bowden, Mr & Mrs K.R.J. Cunningham, Mrs P.A. Davies, Ms V. Drysdale, Mr & Mrs E. Gilbert, Mr K.R. Livermore, Mrs J. McGillicuddy, Dr & Mrs E. Moran, Mrs J. Quille, Mrs M. Wood