

COMMITTEE DETAILS

PRESENT ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

<u>CHAIRMAN</u>		
✓ Harold Ross	53 Lullington Garth	445 5753
<u>VICE CHAIRMAN</u>		
✓ Lawrence Waller	72 Linkside	346 5131
<u>SECRETARY</u>		
✓ Wendy Rowell	3 Lullington Garth	445 4715
<u>TREASURER</u>		
✓ Norman Bradstreet	63 Cissbury Ring South	445 4765
<u>COMMITTEE</u>		
✓ Mr. Austen	35 Lullington Garth	445 5062
✓ Mrs. Blight *	62 Chanctonbury Way	445 3778
Mr. Bonafont	18	445 5457
Mr. Burman	30 Singleton Scarp	446 0258
✓ Mrs. Collinson	20 Pyecombe Corner	445 4599
✓ Mr. Corbett	101 Cissbury Ring South	445 7230
✓ Mr. Dunn *	18 Cissbury Ring South	445 4656
✓ Mrs. Garbutt *	67 Chanctonbury Way	445 7118
✓ Mr. Grant	8 Cissbury Ring South	446 3825
✓ Mr. Hare	36 Lullington Garth	445 7175
✓ Mr. Hills	21 Cissbury Ring North	445 7455
✓ Mr. Kerr	46 Cissbury Ring South	445 6970
Mr. Mellors	53 Cissbury Ring South	445 4158
✓ Mr. Minsky	11 Pyecombe Corner	445 4319
Rev. Plaskow	12 Singleton Scarp	445 2860
✓ Mrs. Risdon	23 Offham Slope	445 4069
✓ Mr. Rumens	11a Linkside	346 1177

MR ROSS  
 MR PRUDENTE (\* On the Social Committee)  
 1 PYECOMBE CORNER

ON SOCIAL COMMITTEE ONLY

Mrs. Austen	35 Lullington Garth	445 5062
Mrs. Hollis	123 Chanctonbury Way	445 3817
Mrs. Ross	53 Lullington Garth	445 5753

DR MR SHARPE  
 85 CHANCTONBURY WAY  
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# WOODSIDE PARK RESIDENTS' & RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

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## ter NEWSLETTER newsletter NEWS

AUTUMN 1978

In case for some reason it may have escaped your notice, we are now reluctantly saying farewell to Summer and instead we welcome the Autumn. Goodbye to rain, to storms, to depression and wet weather coming from the West, and seemingly never travelling further East. Instead we hope to welcome blue skies and golden leaves.

Soon it will be time for Fireworks, Chestnuts and also the Annual General Meeting of the Woodside Park Ratepayers Association.

In the meantime may all your tomatoes ripen and sprouts stay firm.

TRANSPORTATION OLD AND NEW

Readers will recall from the last issue of the magazine that we had a series of complaints regarding an old form of transportation, i.e. horses. Also we have received a number of communications from residents complaining of a new form of transportation - skateboards. We thought therefore, that you would like to hear of the latest position with regard to both of these.

Two members of the committee attended a meeting suggested by the Borough Parks and Highways Committee to discuss horseriding in the Borough. At this meeting there were a number of complaints regarding poor horsemanship in certain areas (including Woodside Park) and also there was mention from riders and riding organisations regarding the lack of facilities in the district. The riders' lobby pointed out that there are some 2,000 people riding in the Borough of Barnet and it was agreed by the Council that they would set up a special enquiry into the facilities available for riders possibly so that people on horses could ride in the more secluded areas of the Borough rather on crowded roads. This would certainly be for the benefit of all concerned.

With regard to skateboards, residents in one cul-de-sac were particularly unhappy regarding continual usage of their quiet thoroughfare as a skateboard park. However, in recent weeks following the national trend, there seems no doubt that there has been a decline in skateboarding in the suburb and this may also be helped by a part of the parking area in Percy Road being set aside for skateboards.

We await with some trepidation a new craze to take over from skateboarding...

AN APPRECIATION OF

Councillor Michael Hill who regrettably through business reasons will no longer be able to attend our regular Committee Meetings. His continued interest in the Association over the years has meant a speedy interpretation of our many problems, for which we have been profoundly grateful.

A SINCERE WELCOME TO:

Councillor Mrs Laskey, a fellow Woodside Park resident to whom we have great pleasure in offering an open invitation to attend our subsequent meetings. Councillor Laskey is no stranger to our Committee members having deputised in the past, and we look forward to a continuance of the happy relationship we have enjoyed with our Councillors.

COMMITTEE ADVICE

May we again request householders to report to the Department of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor at Gateway House (phone 349-9121) of all cases of defective roads, paving stones, kerbstones, and road markings.

THE WOODSIDE PARK CRUSADER CLASS

The above Class has continued its regular games and devotional meetings at the Old Finchleians Clubhouse from 10.00am. to 12.30pm. on most Saturday mornings; midweek activities and regular Sunday Bible Studies have continued for Seniors. The highlights of the past year have been (apart from the weddings of an assistant leader and a leader) the running of Damien Jenkins at the Crusaders' Union Sports on April 8th, he helped North London gain third place and bronze medals by running the under 13 leg of the National "Jubilee Relay".

Also the weekend of the 28 April to 1st May was used for a happy (though small) Class Camp at Danbury, Essex. There are still vacancies in the Class for boys aged between about 8 and 14 (for details please contact Mr. Philip Ture phone 445-6717)

FROM THE DAILY TELEGRAPH 29th JULY 1978

Dog Lead and Scoop Law in U.S. by Henry Miller in New York.

Dog owners in New York city face fines of \$100 (£53) from Aug 1 if they do not clean up after their pets in the streets.

Mr. Edward Koch, the mayor, says dog owners should make or buy scoops to do the job. It may soon be common to see people holding a dog lead in one hand and a "poop scoop" in the other.

Mr. Koch has instructed the police, health and sanitation department to treat the new "canine waste" law seriously. Under the guidelines for enforcing the law, officials can ask owners in the street to clean up after their pets.

Issue Summons.

If the offender refuses, a summons can be issued. If the owner pleads guilty, he can send the city a cheque for \$25 (£13). If not, a hearing will be held before the Environmental Control Board and a guilty verdict will mean a fine of up to \$100.

The new law says "It shall be the duty of each dog owner to remove feces left by his dog on any pavement, gutter, street or other public area"

A spokesman for the police department said: "The problem is, an officer must actually witness the event. He can't just come upon the aftermath and form a conclusion.

What New York does today Woodside Park does tomorrow?

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE MEETING OF THE BARNET & NORTHERN AREA ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE ON THE 8th JUNE 1978 and SUBSEQUENTLY

Councillor Michael Hill was appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

It was recorded that a Petition by the residents of roads adjoining Longland Drive and Northiam regarding the speeding of vehicles along these roads was referred to although the Petition had not been formally submitted to the Council. A suggestion for the possible provision of centre islands and/or width restrictions would be referred to the Public Works Committee. Reference to the hazards to pedestrians

resulting from the increased parking of vehicles wholly or partly on footways was made and the Police representative advised that if obstruction was caused residents should contact the local Police. Reference was also made to parents and others delivering or collecting children from schools who parked on the school entrance markings. It was pointed out that while such markings were not "mandatory" in some circumstances an offending vehicle could be similarly dealt with by the Police as an obstruction.

Also on the 2nd August, a teacher from a local school gave a talk about a former pupil who, without any motor cycling training, and on attaining the age of sixteen, purchased a 250 c.c. motor cycle from a dealer on H.P. terms, and included in the price was the Vehicle Licence fee and Insurance Premium. He was killed on his first ride on the machine owing to his inability to control it when taking a curve in the road. The teacher put forward various suggestions to overcome this problem. After a full and useful discussion, the Committee made a recommendation to the Public Works Committee that as a matter of urgency motor cycling training facilities should be improved in the Borough and pressure made for legislation to be introduced whereby anyone selling a motor cycle (whether a dealer or a private person) should be satisfied that the purchaser was in possession of an Insurance Certificate and that no such Certificate should be issued unless the Insurance Company was satisfied that the applicant had attended proper training sessions.

The Committee when considering the G.L.C. Reports of road accidents in the Borough between January-April '78 at this meeting requested that there should be included in future reports accidents involving horses. At a later meeting on the 2nd August it was reported that the G.L.C. had replied that of over 3000 accidents a year for the last three years, there had only been a total of 8 reported accidents involving horses and therefore considered that information on the subject was unnecessary.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

We are reluctantly losing the services of two hard-working officers of the Association - Mrs. Wendy Rowell, our Secretary, and Mrs. Denise Garbutt, Chairman of the recently formed Social Committee. Both these ladies have given considerable of their valuable time to the Association and I would personally like to thank them for all they have done.

This now leaves us with two important posts to be filled and the Committee would be grateful to hear if anyone would like to assist in these capacities. Please remember that one volunteer is worth ten pressed men (or women).

CLEAN AIR ACT 1956

- SMOKE FROM BONFIRES.

1. Smoke from bonfires causes severe distress to sufferers from respiratory and certain other diseases and may give rise to serious nuisance to those who wish to rest or to dry laundry in their gardens. It also tends to nullify the beneficial effects obtained by the reduction of domestic smoke resulting from the operation of Smoke Control Orders.
2. Bonfires are not specifically prohibited by the Clean Air Act even in Smoke Control Areas, but the Council has power to take action where smoke is a nuisance to the inhabitants of the neighbourhood.
3. Smoke nuisance can be avoided and occupiers of premises, both in Smoke Control Areas and elsewhere, are therefore urged to observe the following simple conditions before lighting fires in the open.

- a) Choose the site of your bonfire carefully having due regard for those living nearby.
- b) Never light a bonfire unless you are satisfied that weather conditions and wind direction are such that any smoke or ash will be carried away from your neighbours' windows and gardens. Make sure that there is no laundry drying in any adjoining gardens. Dusk is usually a convenient time for lighting a bonfire.
- c) Only use material which is dry enough to enable it to be burned quickly and with a minimum of smoke. Soft vegetable waste and grass cuttings etc., which are difficult to dry, should be composted or buried.
- d) Do not burn oily rags, rubber, plastic or other materials likely to produce heavy or pungent smoke. Household goods and furniture should not be burned. The Borough Engineer & Surveyor will arrange for collection on request, for a fee.

SMOKE FROM BONFIRES - contd.

4. If the above-mentioned simple rules are followed no annoyance will be caused to neighbours and there will be no need for other occupiers to complain to the Council.

POYNINGS WAY - CEDAR TREE

Set at the heart of this cul-de-sac this tree was very much admired by those living around and about. Unhappily classified as diseased by Barnet Council this fact was initially hotly disputed by the householders. Mr. McNelly of No.4, took the lead by obtaining signatures for its survival which were duly presented at the Town Hall. He made dozens of phone calls in an effort to get opinions from other sources, but the fact that the Local Council had decided it was in a dangerous condition was enough.

Although extremely disappointed at the outcome Mr. McNelly and the local residents heard sufficient about the considerate ways of the Council from many sources regarding tree felling in the Borough to convince them that the health of our tree lined roads and open spaces is in excellent hands.

Finally the Association wishes to record its thanks to Mr. McNelly and his colleagues at being given the opportunity of joining them in their worthy cause.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This has been provisionally arranged for Wednesday, 27th September at Frith Manor School, 8p.m.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the A.G.M. held on 13th October, 1977.
2. Matters arising.
3. Election of Officers.
4. Honorary Chairman.
5. Honorary Secretary.
6. Honorary Treasurer.
7. Committee
8. Any other business.

HOUSEHOLDERS REFUSE - SUMMERS LANE DUMP

RUBBISH - OPENING TIMES.

Monday - Friday	07.30 - 17.00		
Saturday	07.30 - 16.00	SUNDAY	08.00 - 16.30

VEHICLE DISPOSAL

Monday - Friday	08.00 - 16.00		
Saturday	08.00 - Noon	SUNDAY	CLOSED.

Please note the Dump is closed for all purposes during Bank Holidays.

PROPOSED THEATRE VISIT

At a recent meeting of the Committee it was suggested that there would be considerable interest shown in an evening spent at a West End theatre. It is intended that coach transport would be provided the likely cost about £3.50 per person, and mid to late November has been proposed as a likely time.

If you are interested will you please complete the attached tear-off slip, returning it to:-

MR. F. HILLS, 21 CISSBURY RING NORTH, N. 12.

by 30th SEPTEMBER NEXT.

The Social Committee,  
W.P.R.R. Association.

I/We are interested in the proposed evening to a London Theatre.

I/We prefer MUSICAL/NON MUSICAL.

NAME.....

ADDRESS .....

HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER.....

NUMBER OF TICKETS.....