

## GOLDERS GREEN ALLOTMENT & HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

23rd February 2006

Flat 2, 11 Parsifal Road,  
London, NW6 1UG.

Dear Member,

You are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of your Association, which will be held at 8pm on Tuesday 28th March in the small hall of Claremont Free Church, behind Carey Hall, in Claremont Road, NW2 (between Pennine Drive and The Vale). This meeting is for everybody. Your views and ideas are welcome, and if you have problems or criticisms, this is your opportunity for us all to discuss them.

We are pleased to report that, at Barnet Federation of Allotments' enjoyable annual prize-giving last October our Mr M. Healy was awarded the cup for best allotment in the Central Area.

A number of members have not signed the new tenancy agreement that was sent to them last year. If this applies to you, and you do not now do so, renewal of your tenancy may have to be refused this year.

Your Association has joined local residents in a Lands Tribunal case seeking to enforce a covenant that prevents redevelopment at Hendon Football Club. Meanwhile, Club supporters are trying to keep the club where it is.

Once again we appeal to plotholders to lend a hand in keeping our site tidy and in good order. Several dilapidated sheds need demolition. And certain members are cluttering their plots with unsightly junk – sometimes with great plans in mind, sometimes just to dispose of it. Both create problems. **To save money Barnet Council has decided it will pay for only 3 skips on our entire site this coming year.** We will pay for 1 or 2 more ourselves but *because of this, we just cannot allow skips to be used for rubbish brought from outside, or for wood, weeds and soil which can be composted or burnt.* A very strong line will be taken with members who do so or who treat our site as a dump. Barnet Council is supplying compost bins to our members at advantageous prices. Please ask if you would like one.

Many thanks to all those who have helped in the trading hut, with deliveries and with site maintenance during the past year. We need more people. Please let us know if you can assist in any way this coming year.

Please do not leave matches and petrol where they may be found by vandals: there is a history of serious fires on our site. Please report any theft, vandalism or intruders to a Committee member, and, if appropriate, to the police.

Bonfires are not allowed between 1<sup>st</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> September except on the first Wednesday in July, August and September. During October bonfires may be lit only after 4pm each day. They are allowed any time from November through to the end of April but please do not burn matter or material likely to produce dark smoke or fumes, or allow smoke to drift across Hendon Way. A total ban could be imposed if we do not comply with these regulations.

Please, please do not leave the gates unlocked or open and unattended, except when the Trading Hut is open on Saturdays (2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.) and Sundays (10.30a.m. to 12 noon). There is a real danger of unwelcome intruders and fly tippers. Cars may not be left in our car parks overnight: they also attract intruders. Dogs brought onto our site must be kept on a lead. Children are welcome, but they need supervision.

Paths around plots must be kept clear, mown and at least 18”(1/2 metre) wide between plots. Our rotavator has recently been renovated and is now available for hire, along with trimmers and mowers. Please keep your plot covered with black polythene, or old carpet, if you are unable to cultivate, so that weeds and brambles do not spread to paths and other plots. And please tell us *as soon as possible*, if you are unable to carry on, before the weeds get out of hand. We have a waiting list for plots.

You are invited to the very enjoyable Friern Barnet Show on 19th/20th August, and to enter your produce.

We wish you all happy and healthy gardening in the year ahead!

Corona Esterhazy - Secretary

---

### AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of previous AGM
3. *Matters arising*
4. Annual report
5. Annual accounts\*

6. Alterations to Rules
7. Election of Officers
8. Election Of Committee
9. Election of Hon Auditor
10. Election of Life Members

11. Competitions for 2006
12. Affiliations
13. Any other business

\*Audited annual accounts will be available at the meeting