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The Newsletter of the Hanger Hill Garden Estate Residents Association
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As the nights draw in and Autumn begins to display its beauty, welcome to another edition of our newsletter. The Association is open to all residents of the Estate, whether living in the houses or flats; it is run entirely by volunteers and everyone who lives here is welcome to participate in its work. If you haven't done so already, why not take a look at the website which is a useful resource in keeping you up to date with local events and issues. Meanwhile we hope you enjoy the articles here and do contact us with any responses or contributions you may have.

Kids Zone: Playstreet on Monks Drive

Families were able to get to know each other this summer in a traffic-free environment close to their homes. Monks Drive became car-free for three mornings as part of a Playstreet scheme, a national programme fully supported by Ealing Council.

The aim is to give children the chance to 'play out' in their local area; freedom to play outside and make new friends without organised classes and close adult supervision, but with the security of being close to home.

Local organiser Kate Crossland was delighted to welcome MP Rupa Huq and ward councillor Joy Morrissey to the August event, and said both were very supportive and impressed at what they saw. She said: "It has been lovely to see so many families joining in scooting, chalking on the road, playing badminton or just eating cake and chatting.

"It is a way for our diverse communities to interact and for friendships to form and it has been great to watch them develop.

"The children attend several different schools so it is not always easy to get to know other parents and this has been a really valuable experience."

Residents of Monks Drive were consulted before the first Playstreet and the majority were in favour. While the street is closed, cars can be left parked there and if any resident does need to use a vehicle it can be marshalled by one of the volunteer team.

For more information or to get involved, please email Kate at kate.crossland@gmail.com



Brand New Street Signs for HHGE

The new Heritage style sign has greatly enhanced the Estate and was welcome as a replacement for the many different types of signs which had appeared over the last 80 years. The Ward Forum spread the total cost of replacement of £28,527.68 over three years – the final signage on the Garden Estate will be finished in this year. We believe that the Residents approve of these improvements.



Your Local Family-friendly Pub: The Greystoke

Any resident taking a walk down Queens Drive in the past three months would have noticed a fresh-looking and refurbished local pub, The Greystoke. It was reopened in May and took only 12 days of closure to complete all the works. The improvements follow on to the inviting indoors: those of you who joined us for a Quiz Night earlier this year will be surprised at the pleasant new interior.

There is something for everyone at The Greystoke - all major sporting events feature on the big screen and there is frequent live music, usually on Friday evenings. The new landlord, Lee Bartlett, tells me that the pub is **very family friendly**, with kids menus, colouring books and crayons available for children.

I asked Lee about any other news apart from the refurbishment and he produced a **brand new menu** that has just been introduced, featuring Great British pub food. The Festive menus are already available: with various buffet and dinner packages and a handy tear-off, easy-tick menus to complete for fast service during that busy time of the year.

Lee proudly boasts about the extensive range and quality of the cask ale and craft beer on offer, as exemplified by the on-line feedback we read.

Lee and his team of six bubbly team members will be pleased to welcome you to The Greystoke, 7 Queens Parade, W5 3HU. To book a table call 02089976388 or on-line at <http://www.taylor-walker.co.uk/pub/greystoke-ealing-london/c3905/>

Opening hours:

Mon - Thu: 11am - 11pm,
Fri - Sat: 11am - 12pm and
Sundays 12noon - 10:30pm.



HANGER HILL GARDEN ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION:

Houses committee: Chair: Glenn Ellis Vice Chair: Anthea Douglas
Members: Sergei Turceninoff, Levon Agulian, Bill Bailey, Piers Mahoney, Nim Maradas, Cosmo Philipps, Neil McNair, Nicholas Kassapakis, Harriet Lalor, MC Tsang, Victor Jundi.

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Planning Applications: Change of Notifications to Residents

The HHGERA committee would like to notify all residents of the changes that Ealing Council has brought to the ways they inform residents of Planning Applications. With effect from 8th June 2015 the Council ceased to post notification letters to residents and is displaying site notices instead. The site notices describe the development and inform the residents how to comment on the application, provided that the comment is received no longer than 3 weeks from the date of the notice. Certain types of applications will still be publicised in the Ealing Gazette. All notices are available on the Councils' website.

HHGE Neighbourhood Watch Autumn 2015

As the days grow shorter, build in your daily security:

Make sure to put your lights on timers
lock doors even when at home

Report anything suspicious to police:

active/urgent dial 999

non-urgent dial 101

keep an eye on neighbours' properties

pop their recycling bins on their property so as not to advertise they are not home

put up 'no circulars/junk mail'

remove flyer's put on cars

Universitybound?

do not leave PC's/tablets/phones unattended even if 'everyone else is doing it' do

not give your bank details, reveal passwords and pin numbers to others

insure your devices and list serial numbers/imei numbers for movable property on

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invest in heavy duty bicycle locks

have a plan 'b' how to get home

look after friends on 'nights out' and don't get separated

be wary of strangers who want to 'dance' with you in the streets

be wary of sharing email addresses and telephone numbers with strangers

avoid 'legal' highs: potentially harmful and unknown substances

On-line security and other scams

use different user-names and passwords

never reply to dubious emails purporting to be from known sites (look carefully at the email address and look for misspellings/grammatical errors)

never reply to emails regarding unsolicited 'wins' or 'gifts' with requests for your bank account details

reject calls from 'banks' or 'police' sending cars to collect supposedly compromised credit cards: report these to police

Currents scams: rugby ticket unofficial sites

By **Trudy Prescott**

Neighbourhood Watch Co-coordinator



Resident Profiles: Meet Your Neighbour SERGEI TURCENINOFF

Sergei's parents were Russian and lived in Ethiopia where Sergei was born and spent his first 26 years. Sergei's schooling was in English and he qualified as a Chartered Civil Engineer in the UK. Sergei gained a Fulbright scholarship and while studying in the USA met his wife Elsa who was also studying there.

They got married and came to England, in 1965, to set up their family home and to work. Sergei was working for a large international firm of Consulting Engineers (Scott Wilson).

In 1985, with 2 children, Elsa and Sergei moved to West Acton to be nearer schools the children were attending. Shortly after Sergei became involved with both the HHGE Houses Committee and the HHGE Conservation Area Panel. Sergei has been very active on our estate and is both Secretary of the HHGE Houses Committee and chairman of the HHGE Conservation Area Panel. The high standards and beauty of the Hanger Hill Garden Estate has benefited from his active work. At any of the get-togethers, AGMs and working parties that affect us, you will find Sergei quietly being an influence on the well-running of our estate.

This modest man, with his large collection of books and a vast range of knowledge is living on our doorstep and is to be much admired.