

# BRENTHAM SOCIETY



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## NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 12th December 8 p.m.

Nelson Room, Ealing Town Hall

We are very pleased to welcome as our lecturer -

NICOLAS STACEY  
Director of Social Services, Ealing.

Mr. Stacey, a former Olympic athlete, was rector of Woolwich and then deputy director of OXFAM before coming to Ealing. He is also well-known as a broadcaster and has published his autobiography. He has chosen as his subject:

"W H O C A R E S?"

We hope this talk will give rise to a discussion on ways of making our society more compassionate, more open to citizen participation, and with more opportunities for everyone to use their talents to the full.

This is a public meeting. Members are advised to be at the hall by 7.30 p.m. (If transport is needed, please contact any Committee Member).

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## REPORT OF AGM

The third Annual General Meeting of the Society held on 7th November at St. Barnabas Church Hall was attended by approximately 100 members. The Committee was confirmed in office for the coming year, no new nominations having been received. Grateful thanks were expressed to the newsletter distributors for their continued service and some additional volunteers were recruited. A discussion then took place on future activities; the Newsletter; aircraft noise; and on a proposal of the Borough Council to develop allotment land for housing (see below).

The extended discussion on the last item most unfortunately delayed the start of the record recital of Viennese music presented by Mr. A.J. Skinner. Those who were able to stay very much enjoyed his selection of music and voices.

## BRUNSWICK ROAD ALLOTMENTS

The meeting was unanimously opposed to the proposed housing development. Two resolutions were passed and have since been forwarded to the Council: (1) deprecating any proposal that would involve demolition of property in a conservation area; (2) opposing this particular scheme.

A sub-committee was set up to consider action. Although the proposals are at an early stage, it was felt that our views would have most effect if they are made known before Councillors and Council Officers are committed to the project. The view of the Society is that this land should remain an open space, although not necessarily only for use as allotments.

COMMITTEE FOR 1972-3

The following members were re-elected:

Colin Dix	49 Meadvale Road	(Treasurer)
Brian Fallon	12 Winscombe Crescent	(Chairman)
Clive Hicks	72 Brentham Way	
Martin Jiggens	1 Winscombe Crescent	(Vice Chairman)
Mrs. M. Miles	34 Holyoake Walk	
Tony Oliver	48 Denison Road	
Mrs. S. Poulain	6 Neville Road	(Secretary)
Tony Scanlan	3 Winscombe Crescent	
Miss M. Tims	137 Fowlers Walk	(Newsletter Editor)

SPECIALIST ADVISERS

One of the aims of the Society is to offer help to residents in practical ways. The following "experts" are available for consultation:

Town Planning applications: Clive Hicks (997 7974)

House Maintenance: Martin Jiggens (998 2641)

Gardening: Mr. Tom Bloxom, 3 Holyoake Walk (997 4753), Chairman of Brentham Horticultural Society, will be glad to answer queries and/or enrol new members to the BHS.

Social Activities: Brian Fallon will welcome suggestions and co-operation in organising activities (998 1056).

BRENTHAM LUNCHEON CLUB

It is hoped that the Luncheon Club will open early in the New Year. About twenty "diners" have already enrolled; additional names should be given to Tony Oliver (997 7523). As previously explained, the Club will provide a hot meal on weekdays for retirement pensioners, at a cost of 7½p per day. It is not necessary to attend every day in order to join.

Situation vacant: A paid organiser is needed for 2½ hours a day, Monday to Friday, at 43p per hour. This would suit someone with an interest in welfare work who would help to develop the club. Apply to Mr. Oliver, who would also be glad to hear of any voluntary helpers who could attend regularly between 12.00 and 2 p.m. on one or more days.

CHRISTMAS PARCELS

The Committee again proposes to distribute a parcel of goodies to some of our older residents. If you know of any elderly people who would appreciate a little gift at Christmas, please give names to Mrs. Miles (997 4311) not later than 16th December.

CAROL SINGING

Our strolling vocalists will assemble at Brentham Green, Meadvale Road at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 18th December for the seasonal walk-about of the estate. Sheet music will be provided. Last year's serenade was much appreciated by residents. Come and join in!

WINE & CHEESE PARTY

Monday, 8th January: 8 p.m. at 6 Neville Road.

Tickets 35p single; 60 double. Please give names and money in advance to Stefanie Poulain (997 8691). Members and friends welcome. We look forward to another "full house".

WANTED!

The Committee would be glad to hear of a secondhand duplicating machine in good working order, preferably electrically-operated. Fair price paid.