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**Fire puzzle**

A man was taken to Whittington Hospital suffering from smoke inhalation after a fire in one room of a first floor flat in Alder Court, Long Lane, on the May Bank Holiday. The cause of the fire was not known, though some sources believed it could have been arson. The man, who has not been named, has since been released from hospital.

**First Steps**

by Diana Cormack  
**Ten-year-old Stephanie Lissowski of Huntingdon Road has been selected to appear with the English Youth Ballet. She was chosen at auditions at the Millfield Theatre in Edmonton.**



Stephanie Lissowski photo by Erini Rodis

Since she was five years old, Stephanie has been a regular pupil at the ballet classes run in East Finchley by Majorie Millons.

The English Youth Ballet's policy is to give young dancers more opportunities to perform in a full-length classical ballet within a professional setting. The large cast is chosen from a 50 mile radius of the theatre. Ursula Hageli and Richard Slaughter, both former dancers with the Royal Ballet, dance the main performances.

The witty, well-loved ballet "Coppelia" will be taking place at the Millfield Theatre from 15-17 June at 7.30pm, with a Saturday matinee at 2.30pm. At that performance there will be special £8.00 tickets for school party members, with one free ticket for parties of over ten. Perhaps Year 5 in St Theresa's RC School will go to watch their classmate perform? Evening prices are £12 for Friday and Saturday and £10 for Thursday and the matinee performance, with £2 concessions available.

**A double for Festival funds**

**Preparations for the East Finchley Community Festival on 18 June continued with two events on one day.**

On the afternoon of Saturday 6 May a jumble sale took place in the Finchley Youth Theatre where it was possible to unearth a number of treasures if you looked hard enough. Designer clothing along with nearly new toys and unwanted presents were the reward for careful combing through the piles of goods.

In the evening a very enjoyable dance was held at the Old Barn. Music was provided by the Scampering Rogues. That day over £510 was raised towards the East Finchley get together in Cherry Tree Wood.



The scene of the fire in Long Lane. Photo by Martin Earl

**Topping up the time capsule**

By Daphne Chamberlain

**Did you see anyone prowling round your street with a camera recently? It wasn't necessarily an Archer newshound. More likely it was one of about 30 photographers engaged in a Finchley Society project. As you may know, the aim was to photograph every street in Finchley and Friern Barnet, so that future generations have a complete visual record of our area in the year 2000.**

There was a bit of urgency about the project, because it needed to be done before buildings were obscured by too many leaves and blossoms on the trees. At one stage an appeal went out for more photographers, but *The Archer* has heard that the job is now almost completed.

The Finchley Society's Derek Warren told us that about 1,500 photos have been taken. (The costs were shared between the Society and Barnet Council.)

**100 years on**

They will be stored in the Society's archives at Avenue House, Church End. According to Mr Warren, these archives are already overflowing, but they can never be too full. Every

picture tells a story, as they say, and in 100 years time our descendants will be interested and informed by them.

So if you have any photos of Finchley (of people as well as buildings), why not show them to the Finchley Society? The same goes for objects. Artefacts, e.g. air-raid wardens' lists, are always welcome.

Why not ring Derek Warren on 8346 5258? His snail-mail address is 83, Wentworth Avenue, N3, and e-mail is barwar@waitrose.com

Footnote: - You can also contact *The Archer*. We are building up a library - both actual and scanned in on computer - of photos of our own area and people.