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Bloomin' marvellous



Second prize winner, Madden's in the High Road.
Photo by Erini Rodis

The managers of The Windsor Castle in The Walks have more to water than just their customers - there are the flowers too! Their impressive array of tubs, pots and hanging baskets has earned them the title of Best Bloomin' Pub in Barnet.

Managers David and Carole Shephard have won many prizes in local and London-wide competitions in the eight years they have been running The Windsor Castle and are the current holders of brewery McMullen's Floral and Garden competition award.

Green fingers

However they have had a little help with their blooms: regular customer and gardener, Brian Davies, has been working hard maintaining the flora whilst Carole and David are behind the bar. As well as watering the extensive display (almost a full time job in itself!) Brian looks after the greenhouse behind the pub where the flowers start out. *More about Brian in next month's Archer.*



A double success for East Finchley - David and Carole Shephard outside the Windsor Castle, which won first prize in the Barnet in Bloom 2000, Best Bloomin' Pub floral display. Photo by Martin Earl.

Vandals put man in hospital

A resident of Chambers Gardens was badly injured recently by a gang of local boys.

At around 2 am he heard four youths jumping and stamping on the roofs of parked cars outside his home. When he went out to tell them to stop, they knocked him down and kicked him in the head and back. He suffered severe and extensive bruising.

A neighbour called the police, who took the man to hospital. Police have questioned three local youths about the incident.

Accident

The junction of The Bishops Avenue and Great North Road was the scene of another car accident on 28 August.

At approximately 9 pm a Vauxhall Frontera was involved in a collision with a Fiat Punto.

No one was seriously hurt and police cleared away the debris remarkably quickly.

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