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Charity Walk

Congratulations to Paresh Shah of CW Andrew Pharmacy, 32 High Road who successfully completed a 10km walk organised by the Oshwal Pharmacists.

He raised over £2500 for three different charities supporting sports and mobility for disabled children, Alzheimer's research and a prostate cancer charity. Paresh would like to thank the many customers who sponsored him and enabled him to make such an impressive amount.

OAPs at the Odeon

Some of our local Senior Citizens have been taking advantage of a special show at the Muswell Hill Odeon.

On Tuesdays at 10.30 am free tea, coffee and biscuits are served before the film, which begins at 11 am. "SeniorScreen" costs £2.50 for Senior Citizens and £3.50 for non Senior Citizens. For further details and film programmes telephone 020 8442 0336.



Holiday maker

Janet Saunders, who is an active member of Holy Trinity Church in Church Lane, is going to trek through the Himalayas to raise money to enable disadvantaged and disabled youngsters to have a holiday - sometimes for the first time in their lives. It is not the first time that Janet has wandered abroad. Her mother, Emily Winwright of Long Lane, told me proudly of some of her ventures, including a year in America where she taught at a community college in the Bronx!

Janet was a pupil at Martin School before moving further up the High Road to Finchley County Grammar School (now Barnet teachers' Professional Development Centre). From that information long-time residents will realise that Janet is no youngster herself. Now over fifty, she is in training to make sure she completes the trek next February.

The six-day trek will use tracks only accessible on foot, with narrow ridges and steep climbs, through the Helambu region north of Katmandu, where temperatures at night can fall to below zero. With Sherpa support there will be about sixty other people involved, attempting to raise money to enable disadvantaged and disabled children and young people to enjoy

a holiday at a Youth Hostel. Janet herself has pledged £750 to cover the costs of the trip. That leaves £1,250 to be raised through sponsorship - all of which will go directly to the YHA scheme, Charity No. 301567. Last year they raised £40,000 which enabled 2,000 children to have a holiday.

Cheque point

If you would like to support

this worthwhile venture you can do so by writing a cheque to the YHA. Please indicate that you are sponsoring Janet Saunders and send it to: - YHA Ltd, Trevelyan House, 8 St Stephen's Hill, Saint Albans, Herts AL1 2DY. Donations must be received by November 2000. Janet is going to keep a diary during her trek so you can read all about it in THE ARCHER.

Nepal 2001

By Diana Cormack
For many of us our summer holiday is becoming a pleasant memory and we are already beginning to wonder about next year's. But there are people who are unable to do this and for whom the idea of going away is just a dream. However, dreams can come true, and one person who is helping to make this happen was born and bred in East Finchley.

Church Lane traffic

First the good news: Driving over the railway bridge should be a little less worrying now. Since double yellow lines have appeared, parked cars have disappeared. Drivers can now move over to the left, keeping clear of the cyclists' contraflow.

Now the bad news: Twice in recent months, THE ARCHER has seen a car turn in from the High Road against the No Entry sign. In spite of yells, waves and hooting, they attempted to carry on up this very narrow one-way street. Unbelievable.

What does SORN mean to you?

SORN stands for Statutory Off Road Notification. The law on vehicle licensing has changed.

If your vehicle was licensed on or after 31 January 1998, and you do not re-license it because you do not intend to use it or to keep it on the public road, by law you must tell DVLA. You will receive the appropriate form with your licence renewal reminder.

All vehicle records are now checked automatically. If you have not renewed your licence and have not made a SORN declaration, you could be fined up to £1,000. If you make a false declaration when you are actually using your vehicle, or keeping it unlicensed on a public road, the maximum penalty is £5,000 and two years in prison.

Declarations are valid for twelve months, after which you will receive a reminder. If you sell, export or scrap your vehicle, you must tell DVLA.

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