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Girls just want to have run

The Bobath Centre in East End Road is calling for women of all ages to take part in the Adidas Women's 5K Challenge this September. With no age restriction, mothers, grandmothers, daughters even toddlers can complete the course by either running or walking.

The charity for children with cerebral palsy is particularly keen for local schools to get involved. "It would be great if we had girls in every year group running alongside their teachers for a good cause," says Sarah Terrazas, Bobath event co-ordinator.

"East Finchley has a strong sense of community and we think that getting schools involved reinforces this. For us, it gives us an opportunity to get to know our neighbours and raise money to keep the centre open; not to mention encouraging a healthy lifestyle."

The run takes place on Sunday 5 September in Hyde Park, and the charity will offer runners free entry, a Bobath Centre t-shirt and a goody bag in exchange for a commitment to raise £65 in sponsorship.

Schools or individuals wishing to take part should contact Sarah on 020 8442 2275 or sarah@bobath.org.uk

Questions over Avenue House

By Betti Blatman

There has been some concern in the community about the well-being of the Avenue House Estate. Local residents, who are passionate about keeping their beautiful park running and have a willingness to become involved to secure its future, have compiled a questionnaire.

They are asking for as many people as possible to give their thoughts on the estate. They will

then present the results of the survey to the Avenue House Estate Trust and are very willing to meet with them to discuss their suggestions.

The survey seeks to find out how often you use the grounds and what improvements you would like to see. A farmers' market, open-air films and children's activities are all put forward as possible options.

If there is sufficient interest, the organisers may start a regular newsletter to keep people up to date with developments at Avenue House.

For a copy of the questionnaire, which needs to be returned by 20 May, please email Lindy at lindykursten@hotmail.com, or leave a message with THE ARCHER on 08717 334465 and we will pass on your request.

ARCHER: seeking volunteers

Could you help us distributing THE ARCHER? We urgently need a volunteer who can take delivery of the paper each month at home and sort it into rounds for our deliverers. You would need to have a decent-sized ground floor room for the papers to be stacked and sorted, plus a suitable space outside for the papers to be left if you are out.

The papers come in bundles of 50 and we provide round sheets with all the necessary details. Sorting into rounds takes two to three hours but does not have to be done the same evening. The next step is to phone those volunteers who collect the bagged papers from you.

We also need more people to drop off and to deliver the paper. On average, delivery takes about 45 minutes per round. To volunteer for any of these roles, crucial in getting THE ARCHER to its readers, please email the-archer @lineone.net or leave a voicemail on 08717 33 44 65. Thank you.

Planning Applications

Barnet Council

5 Beaumont Close, N2

Alteration and extension of existing garages, including first floor rear extension.

43 Brim Hill, N2

Alterations to roof, including a rear dormer and a dormer to the side of the rear roof projection, and two conservation style roof lights to the front, all to facilitate a loft conversion.

45 Brim Hill, N2

Single storey rear extension, including associated landscaping. Widening of existing front driveway.

20 Church Lane, N2

Erection of single storey side extension, following demolition of existing garage.

1 Deansway, N2

Roof extension, involving rear dormer window to facilitate loft conversion.

54 Deansway, N2

Replacement of existing timber windows with new timber win-

8 Richmond Road, N2

Erection of a single storey side and rear extension and of a single storey outbuilding to the rear of the garden.

OSTEOPATHY

The Twyford Practice

Osteopathic consultation and treatments in Fortis Green, N2.

Robin Kiashek, Osteopath and Naturopath, Bsc (Hons), Ost Med., N.D., M.R.N.

> For appointments: please phone 020 8815 0979 or visit:

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