

The New

BAM

ISSUE 1

IT'S FINALLY HERE

Here it is at last the first issue of the new newsletter with a new editor! After three years of partying (I mean hard work!) at University I have returned to the BAM nest, which has been my home for the last 15 years. I am now dividing my time between doing an MA, being the Bulletin Editor, and looking for a job (any job offers gratefully considered). I hope you find this issue interesting and informative, and that it inspires you to contribute both ideas and articles for future issues.

Don't forget advertising in the BAM Bulletin is absolutely free for residents. Many thanks to all those who have contributed articles and ideas, and those who helped with editing and layout. Copy dates for the next issue will be posted on the common bulletin boards over the next few months. Any feedback regarding this issue will be gratefully received!

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BOARD MATTERS

Directors

Following the resignation of Mr Vivian Craig and Mr Graham Phaup, who have moved out of the Estate, the board comprises the following:

Mr Simon LEBOR (Chairman)
Mrs Pamela SMIDT-OLSEN
(Deputy Chairman)
Mr Leon ELLENPORT
Mr Sammy ESHKERI
Mr Arthur LARGE
Mr William OLIVIERI
Company Secretary: Mrs
Hanna JEDWELL

The directors would like to hear from any shareholders who feel that he or she could spare some time and make a contribution to the Board. Please contact the Chairman or Company Secretary for more information.

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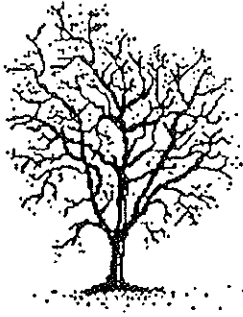
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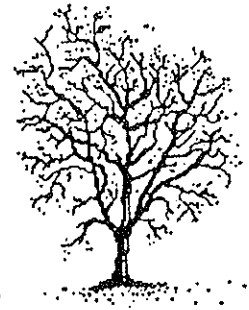
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Dr Edward Kamm

We are very sorry to announce that Dr Edward Kamm died aged 91 following a stroke on Thursday 23rd February 1995. We hope to print an obituary in the next issue



BAM IN THE GARDEN



**Pamela Smidt-Olsen reports from the green front in
Marlboroughs East and West**

Steve, the Head Gardener, and his boys have worked really hard all year, but of course there is always someone who feels that their corner of the garden could do with more loving care. There is a work plan so that we know what is to be done, but we have a lot of shrubs and grass that need constant attention, and a good deal of labour goes on this type of maintenance.

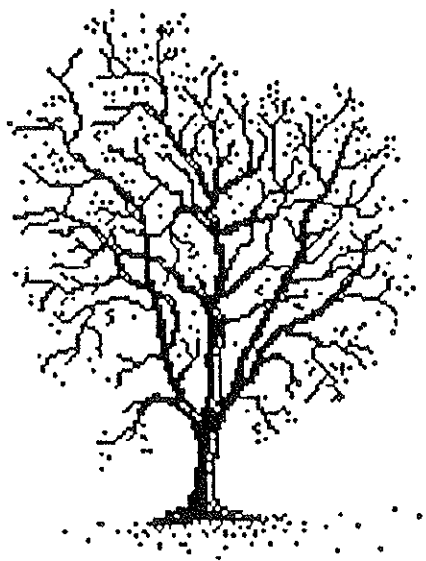
We have managed to allocate some of the budget for the purchase of plants and shrubs. New shrubs have been planted along the centre fencing in the garden behind Marlborough East,

and a group of shrubs have gone into the patch at the lower end of Marlborough West. Bulbs have been planted too, so we hope to see some results in the Spring. (If the footballers can be persuaded to stay out of the flower beds).

What we really need are some more plants, and a few less weeds. It is clear that at the present time the gardeners don't really have time for everyday weeding although I am assured by Steve that anyone who enjoys pottering in the garden is most welcome. Several residents already weed and deadhead the roses during the summer months.

Any more help would be very welcome!

At the moment the general plan is to start edging the lawns, to clear the paths, to remove dead wood, and to thin out the shrubs. Following this the garden debris will be cleared, and the paths and border edges will be redefined, whilst the beds and borders will be prepared for replanting. Next month the roses will be pruned and planting will commence where most needed.



Joan Phaup

After living on the estate for seven years the Phaup family have moved to America. Joan Phaup created the BAM Bulletin a few years ago as a forum through which residents could air their views on various aspects of the Estate, and as a way of giving the residents more of a sense of community.

The BAM Bulletin was successful in its aims due to Joanie's tireless work in producing interesting and informative articles on subjects ranging from history to current issues such as the underground car park.

According to the latest reports the Phaups are settling down well in their new and very different home in Camden, Maine. The BAM Bulletin wishes them every success for the future.

SECURITY UPDATE

Thieves broke into the 86-95 Marlborough Mansions block early in December stealing a mirror from the front lobby. This follows an earlier attack in this and other Marlborough blocks of by a group of youths who vandalised the front doors and tampered with fire extinguishers in the communal areas. I know that this has been said before, and that most residents have been careful about security, but can everybody be extra vigilant about whom they let in to the buildings. REMEMBER to check on the caller BEFORE you let them into the communal area, if it is a gas or electricity reader, make sure you see his card before letting him into your flat. If you have any doubts, call on a neighbour before letting anyone in. If you find a tradesperson ringing at your door, ensure that they have permission.

from the estate office.

Be particularly careful when you have workmen in your flat, be they furniture removal men, window cleaners, or anyone who is not used to our security measures. Here are a few guidelines:

If you are having any workmen/furniture removal men

1. Tell your immediate neighbours the nature of the work.
2. Try to have some responsible person around to oversee the work.
3. Make sure you tell the workmen not to let anyone in whilst they are going in/ coming out of the flats.
4. Make sure the workmen do not leave any doors open. NEVER leave an open door unattended!
5. Make sure the door is shut securely as soon as the workmen have finished.

BAM PAST AND PRESENT

Did You Know?

* There was a time when the estate porters wore smart grey uniforms!

* Lord Lester, who is now a prominent member of the House of Lords lived at 78 Marlborough Mansions, with his parents until he got married. After the Lesters had moved, the renowned composer Sir Adrian Boult and his wife moved into the flat; they left in 1978.

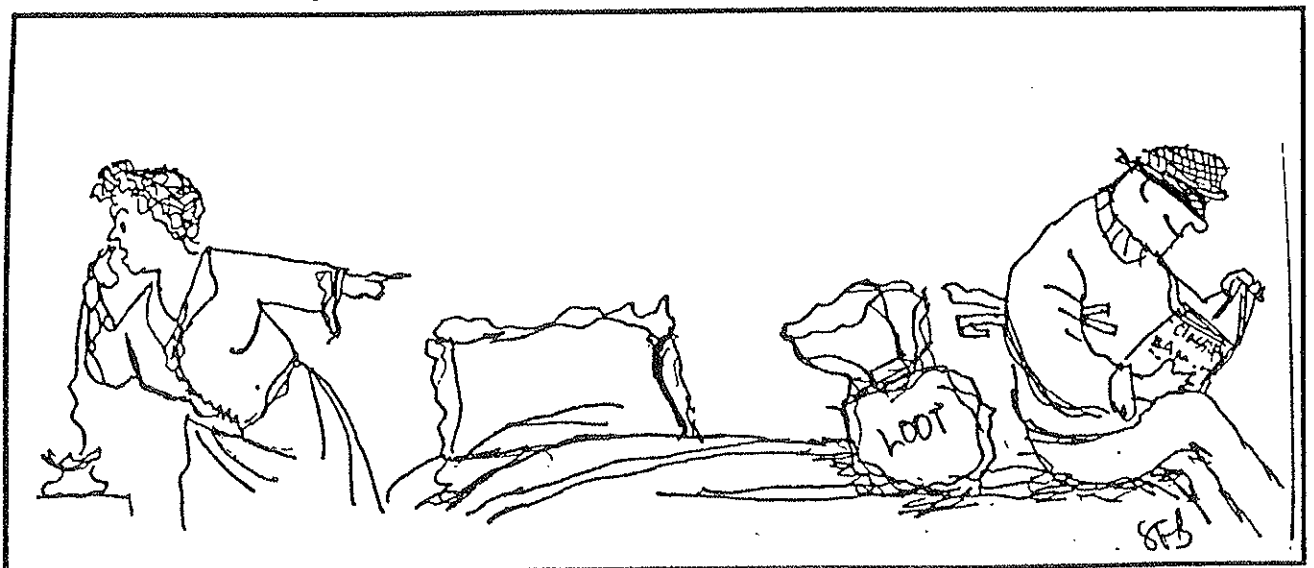
* Parking was not always a problem at BAM. One of our older residents remembers a time when there was only a single car parked on Cannon Hill!

Neighbourhood Watch

There will be a BAM Neighbourhood Watch meeting, in conjunction with the police, at Emmanuel School, 101 Mill Lane NW6 1NA on the 29th March 1995 at 8pm. You will have an opportunity to have your questions answered by the local Crime Prevention Officer. Make a note in your diary and attend!

If you have any interesting anecdotes about BAM, past or present please contact the Editor!

"...while he was reading my New BAM Bulletin I was able to get dressed and call the police!"



Noisy Neighbours

This is an issue which has been frequently discussed. There have been complaints about loud music being played late at night. Please note that there is a clause in our lease which stipulates that loud music or television should not be heard outside individual flats between 11p.m and 9 a.m. Also, as a matter of common courtesy, could you make sure that any guests who are visiting or leaving late at night keep the noise down in the common areas.

Bursting Bin Bags

Badly secured and overfilled bin bags left in the communal areas have resulted in unsightly stains on the communal carpets. Before putting them out please tie up the bin bags securely and make sure there is no danger of items leaking or overflowing.



"Why write on a wall when you could be writing for the BAM Bulletin?"

Graffiti

Just recently the Estate has been subjected to incidents of graffiti in the lifts and common areas. This is not only unsightly but in some cases deeply offensive. If the culprits would like to put their artistic talents to better use they should perhaps contact the editor to contribute to the BAM Bulletin!

BAM Classified

Do you have a caring disposition, and a few hours to spare during the day? A lady Resident is looking for a female companion to do some shopping, and to generally help her out. Remuneration to be discussed. For further details please phone (0171) 435-5297.

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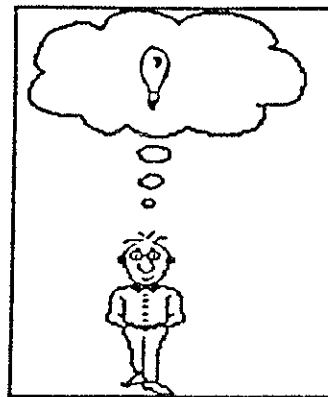
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If you have any ideas for future issues, or if you have an advert for the classified section, please contact the Editor. Don't just think about it, **contribute** to the New BAM Bulletin.

Thank you!

to all those who have contributed or helped with this issue: Pamela Smidt-Olsen, Mr Jacobs, Ida and Maurice Raber, Mrs Jedwell, Akash, Karen, Chris Bean, Jameela Bilgrami and everyone else who offered constructive advice