

BAM BULLETIN

Garden News

Hose Pipe Ban

We are facing restrictions on water use. The Environmental Agency has warned of severe drought this summer after two dry winters. Thames Water plans to reintroduce house pipe bans on April 5. Please remember that the Water Butts are for use by the gardeners only.

Children's Vegetable Plot

James has again prepared a number of propagation kits for children to be planted in the vegetable plot located in the top garden, as well as in a second plot in the Marlborough Mansions west rear garden.

If you are interested in growing a crop in one of the two vegetable plots, please contact the estate office or James directly. Due to the limited size of the plots, there will only be room for a few residents to plant a crop, this will be on a first come basis.

Lawns Fertilizer

As in the past few years, James has spread the lawns with a natural environmentally friendly organic fertilizer to feed the lawns. While unpleasant, the aroma of the organic fertilizer is fortunately not long lasting. Thank you for your patience.

Butterfly Kits

A company, www.insectlore.co.uk sells and delivers live bug kits. Last year one family in the Estate bought a kit of caterpillars, and after three weeks released 5 beautiful butterflies into our gardens. Now is the time of year to buy the caterpillar kits. Let's see how many butterflies we can add to our gardens!

Hedgehog Rescue

Hedgehogs are a natural pest controller, eating slugs etc. so very useful to have in the garden. But are there any on the Estate? Hedgehogs

are nocturnal, that is they sleep all day and come out to roam around at night. You may not see them in the dark, but if you are out at night and very quiet you might hear them rustling through the leaves and undergrowth or even be lucky enough to see one – if you do please let the gardeners know.

QR Codes



Watch out for these tags appearing soon in the gardens. Scan them with a smartphone for more information on the tree or plant they are attached to.

Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers Needed!

We urgently need some parents to help organize and run the annual Easter Egg Hunt. This event will only take place if parents are willing to take over the event. The BAM Estate will supply drinks and snacks. The Easter Egg hunt normally is held on Easter Monday at 11 am in the main gardens. If you can help and want to volunteer, please contact either Birgit at 07753 60 90 44 or the Estate office on 020 7419 1112. Posters will be placed in the communal entrances if we get enough volunteers.

Major Works, Cannon Hill

Major works to 35-45 Avenue Mansions, 33-37 and 38-47 Marlborough Mansions will start on 26th of March with the erection of scaffolding. The Estate office will send out a booklet to the residents affected regarding what to expect during the works and the relevant contact details. Residents of those flats are advised to notify their home contents insurance company regarding the scaffolding.

Lost and Found

We have collected a large number of articles (clothing, toys, etc.) that have been left behind in the gardens in the last 12 months. The box is located in the Estate office. Please call in to see if any of the articles belong to your family as the box will be emptied soon.

Neighbourhood News

Redevelopment –Kidderpore Avenue

Redevelopment on the site of Kings College Hampstead Campus. Plans and 'Feedback Forms' are available from the Estate Office.

BAM Residents' Association

We would like to further enhance the BAM Residents' Association – which was initially established in order to deal with the CPZ introduction – and which has continued as a conduit for Residents' requests and communications with Camden Council and local organisations. i.e. Safer Neighbourhoods Team, Camden Community and Police Consultative Group, TFL consultations, Fortune Green and West Hampstead Development Forum and local development forums. This is not to be confused with the BAM Board: It is purely to deal with Residents' issues and concerns relating to the Borough of Camden and local matters.

Under the new Localism Act of 2011, local development forums will have a voice under the place-shaping plan of West Hampstead and Fortune Green. We wish to encourage Residents to join those that already attend the meetings on behalf of the BAM Estate and to have an input with regard to local issues. All those that wish to join in with the work of the Association are welcome. Please contact Leon Ellenport, via the BAM Estate Office.

We will shortly be announcing a meeting of the BAM Residents' Association when we shall be discussing these issues.

BAM Facebook

Gaining friends nicely to share knowledge of the neighbourhood, restaurants, shops, etc. Please join.

Car Registration Numbers

The Estate will be contacting residents during the next few weeks (in the evenings) in order to obtain Residents' Car Registration details.

House Rules

The revised House Rules are now displayed on block Notice Boards, and Residents will be receiving copies in the near future.

Dates for your Diary

Monday **9th April** Easter Egg Hunt. (TBC)

Thursday **14th June** this years AGM of BAM Estate Ltd is at 8.00 pm in the Marquee.

Friday **15th June** Open meeting about the Gardens.

Sunday **17th June** BAM Annual Garden Party. Further details will be circulated closer to the date of each event.

Looking for...

*Advertise your **search** or your **availability** here free of charge. Send your advertisements (50 words max) to communicate@bamestate.co.uk or drop it into the Estate office or call Graham Hamilton on 020 7419 1112.*

Flat Wanted:- A 2 bedroom flat on the BAM Estate for a resident who needs to move. Please contact Florence Zinzen on 07941 964 609.

Flat Wanted:- We are a family of four (parents with two small children) looking to rent an unfurnished 3 bedroom flat on the Estate starting some time between mid-April and early June. Please contact Ursula Wellen on 0753 202 1146

Nanny Share Wanted:- *Is anyone looking for a nanny share arrangement, starting from end of April? Our daughter is nearly 18 months. Email me at lara.morley@btinternet.com and we can have a chat. Lara*