

THE TEDDINGTON SOCIETY

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This is the first Teddington Society Newsletter to be sent to every house in Teddington, and our aim in doing so is far more than just to wish every body a belated Happy New Year - which of course we do anyway. We have now been in existence for just over one year and yet many local people do not know we even exist, let alone know what do and who does it. We think we can do an awful lot for the life of Teddington but we cannot do it without help and we hope you will read about our work in this Newsletter. Life in Teddington can be far richer if we all contribute even a little.

So, what do we do? We are non-party political and non-sectarian, and have at present over 600 members with almost every road in Teddington represented. Our main organisation has two parts:

1. A main committee with chairman etc., and the convenors of working parties. They co-ordinate all the work and take the major policy decisions. The committee meetings are open to any member, but we are unable to have them regularly and one of our eternal grumbles is the lack of some central place to advertise and hold these meetings.
2. The working parties who concern themselves with the separate aspects of Teddington life and contain varying numbers of ordinary members who want to help. The different sections are listed overleaf.

The Society has achieved quite a lot in its first year. In planning terms, we prevented the demolition of the old cottage adjacent to Peg Woffington's cottages, stopped the Seaboard from marring the whole east side of Bushy Park with a grotesque office block, and campaign successfully for public access to the river in the Stoneydeep development. We have had some influence on tree planting, especially by the AA building and on the application of tree preservation orders. The Public Meeting to discuss problems such as the future of St. Albans Church and the Goods Yard site was very successful. On the social side we arranged a Cockney evening, a poetry reading, a Carol concert, a Bonfire Party, a children's ramble and a 'Teddington in Flower' Day. We think this is quite good for a first year but do not think it will be anywhere good enough for a second year, which is why we are writing to you now. Our most important requirement is MORE MEMBERS (at 25p. a year we must be mad!) We need help on all our working parties, please note any of particular interest to you on our application form and we shall contact you. Don't worry if you have little spare time.

Before giving some more straightforward news we want to get some idea of your attitude to another idea which has been circulating recently, that Teddington should have its own Community Care (CC) group, similar to the one at Hampton Hill which aims to provide the coordinate services for the old, handicapped, deprived and otherwise needy people in the community. If you are concerned about community care problems and wish to give some help in initiating a group please tick the relevant box on the final form. If there is enough interest a public meeting may be called.

GENERAL NEWS.

Would all existing members who have not renewed their membership please send their renewal fee to:- Trixie Mellor, Membership Secretary. No new cards are being sent out until we have revised the system. Please tell us, however, if you want a receipt.
There will be a Traditional Jazz evening at Elleray Hall on 1st March, at 8pm. If you would like to advertise anything in our next Newsletter please contact the Secretary.
The children and Young People Group will be running an art/photographic competition for European Architectural Heritage Year, details to be announced later.

YOUR STREET REPRESENTATIVE IS

PLEASE KEEP THIS LIST FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Names and Addresses of Teddington Society Officers & Committee Members

OFFICERS

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<u>Riverside</u> Convenor	David Hastings		
	Jean Wattam	83 Teddington Park Rd.	977 3822
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APPLICATION FORM

I wish to join the Teddington Society.

NAME:

ADDRESS:
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PHONE:

Occupation (if you wish to give it)

Interest in a Working Party

Fee 25p. minimum per annum (donations welcomed).

I support the aim for a Community Centre. YES/NO

I support the aim for a Community Care Group. YES/NO

I would like to work towards a Community Care Group. YES/NO