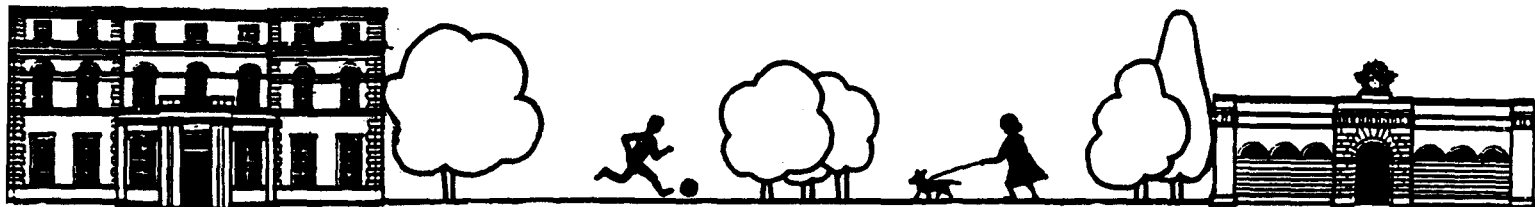


FRIENDS of GUNNERSBURY PARK & MUSEUM

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NEWSLETTER



THE A.G.M. AND THE PARK WALK

This year's Annual General Meeting will be held in the Temple in Gunnersbury Park at 8.00 pm on Tuesday June 4th.

Normally we have held our AGM on a Sunday afternoon so this is an experiment. We hope that many of our members will be able to attend. Apart from the usual matters at an AGM (presenting the accounts, electing next year's committee, report of the year's activities) we will be able to discuss the progress (!) over the Stables, the progressive dereliction of the other Park buildings and any suggestions for the future use of the rooms in the Small Mansion.

We are organising a guided walk around the Park at 7.00 pm on Tuesday June 4th - yes, an hour before the Annual General Meeting! It is an excellent opportunity to see what has happened to the Park over the year. We will meet in front of the Temple.

By the way, this year's Fete and Bazaar will be on Sunday 1st September - a date for your diary.

THE ANNE FRANK CONCERT

On May 2nd we held a fund-raising concert to help finance the Anne Frank exhibition. It was an enormous success and we must thank everybody who came and who worked to make it succeed.

On Saturday 13th April, using the labour of Friends volunteers and eight students from Hounslow Borough College, we repainted the whole of the Small Mansion Lecture Room (ceiling, walls and radiators) and washed down the adjacent rooms and the Lecture Room floor - in one day. It looked amazingly good afterwards. We didn't!

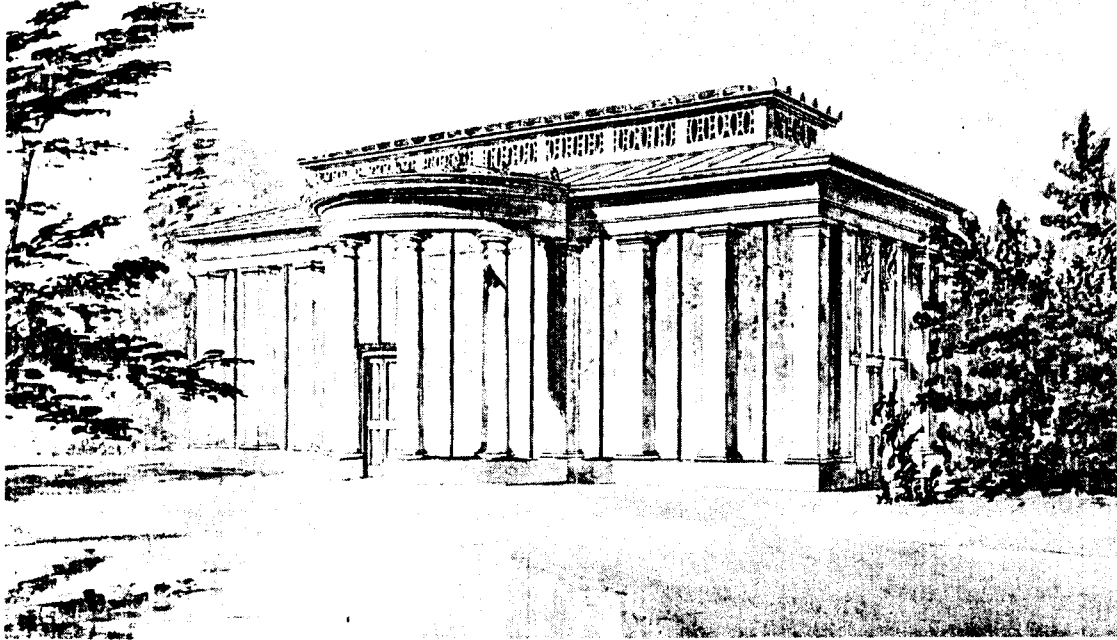
Then on the concert evening the 5 young women of the Onyx Wind Quintet arrived in good time, practiced in the room to get the sound right and treated us to a wonderful programme. All 75 seats were occupied and the enthusiasm of the audience - and the players - swirled round the room until it was time to set off across the Park at 10.30. The players were students from the Royal Academy of Music; they were really professional, from the choice of music to the quality of their playing.

We made a donation of £500 to the Anne Frank exhibition. Basil Mann was delighted with this gift - and with the huge sum raised (mainly by Terry Martin's hard work) in the raffle of a painting. The number of visitors to the exhibition has been very large and the demand from schools has been so great that it was extended for a further two weeks. Basil Mann and the staff of the museum deserve the greatest praise for their work. We are proud to have been able to help. It has been an important exhibition for Gunnersbury - and for west London.

THE FRIENDS OF GUNNERSBURY PARK AND MUSEUM

are sponsoring a summer programme of

MUSIC IN THE ORANGERY



Sunday 26th May:

Vicky and Hugh Campbell

Duets for flute and classical guitar

John Clarke

Spanish and baroque guitar solos

Sunday 9th June:

Light Operetta and Music from Old Vienna

Maurine London (Soprano), Nico Mott (Tenor), Dorothy Hobart (Piano), Joanna Estal (Clarinet), David Montague (Oboe), Mary Crighton (Piano)

Sunday 21st July:

From Madrigals To Vaughan Williams

The Europa Singers

3 - 5 pm (doors open 2.30)

Tickets: £4 at the door, or by post from 7 Beaumaris Tower, Park Road North, W3 8RJ

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