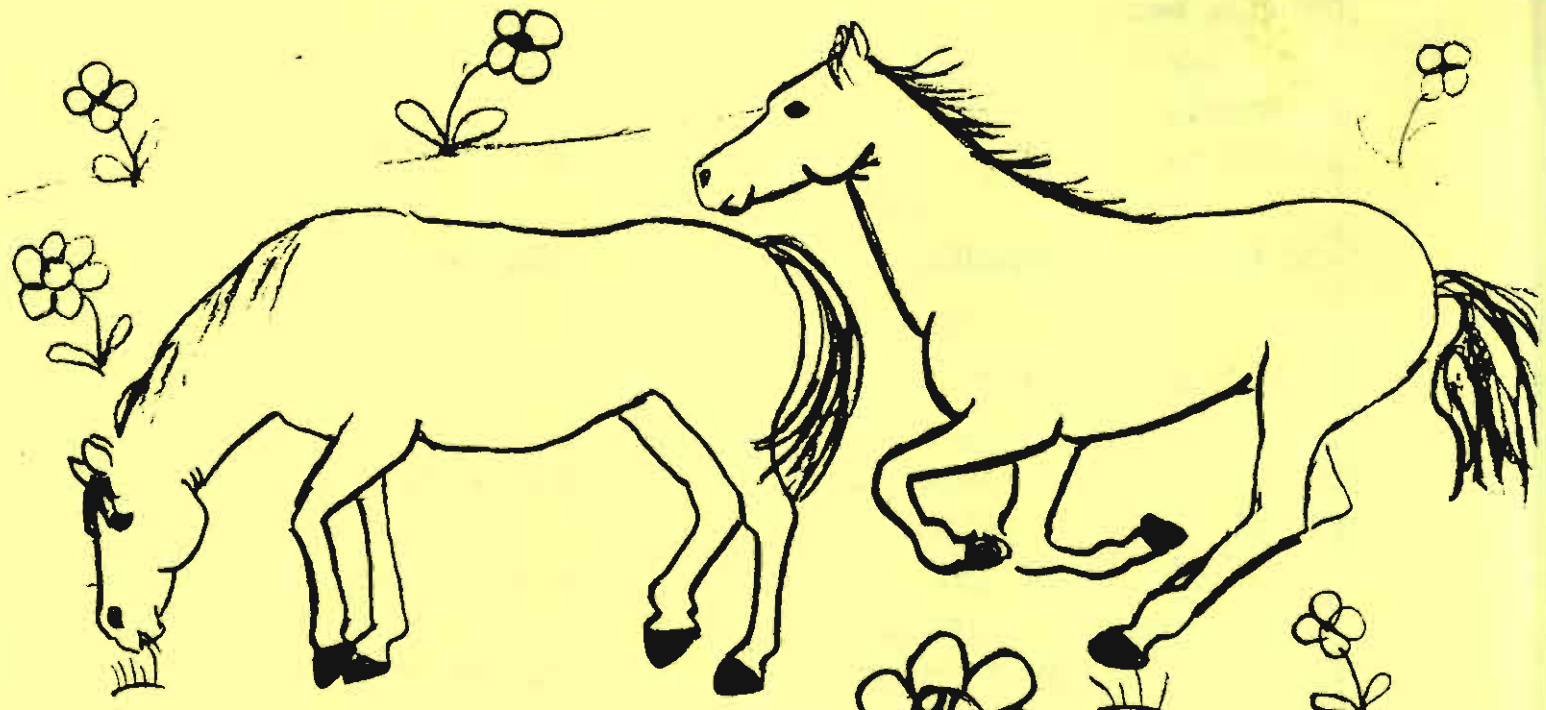
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Molewood Outlook---Spring 1994

WELCOME..... .....to all our readers and to another Spring and also to our 'new look' M.O. Yes, at long last we have been dragged screaming into the twentieth century with a 'word processed' and printed version Our old faithful duplicator may yet be made redundant saving us many hours of labour for which our grateful thanks goes to Dennis Goodrum, as it does also to Mavis of 24, Cowper Crescent for all the hours she painstakingly spent typing the stencils from the ed's indecipherable notes !

So - with thoughts of Yule-tide far behind us we once again head for the 'great outdoors' - gardening, summer hol's, decorating (euh !) and general global warming - well at least Bengeo, we hope !

Our evocative cover picure conjures up the seasonal feeling of hope and this month's is by:-

BECKY SHADDOCK of 54, The Wick.....who wins the 'cover-ted' prize of £5 for her artistic efforts!

Step forward our next young artist for the Summer issue.....

This also puts us in the right mood for all the joys of Spring and summer.

Before we go any further, one of the forthcoming joys is a evening of fun and knowledge skills in the main hall at.....

BENGEO SCHOOL on SATURDAY 12th MARCH,

Make a note in your diaries as this promises to be a great QUIZ Night starting at 7.45 p.m. Admission by ticket only.....so get your tickets NOW as they are disappearing fast. Not surprising at only £4 each which includes a hot supper. You will also be able to purchase wine or juices with which to wash it all down. PLUS some great PRIZES.!!

Tickets from Pam Lutner or your nearest committee member.

The quiz master will be TOM KIERNAN of The Wick.

So... Hurry! Hurry! (Any donations for the prizes or raffle will be gratefully received)

The A.G.M. will also be held at the same venue early in May. here the thousands will again be fed and watered. The exact date has yet to be determined but will be around the first or second week in May. Separate notices will be posted on boards and through letter boxes. In additionto victuals and vino. there will also be some entertainment in the form of.....
.....but.....why not come along to the same venue and SEE and. as always. the A.G.M. is F R E E !)

The dust has yet to settle finally on the GRAVEL saga. GEORGE SANDELL has been involved lately with the BOSNIA horrors(see 'Time for Action').
David Morris and George Sandell organised a journey by lorry from Hertford in January loaded with FOUR AND A HALF TONS of supplies donated by the public. These essentials will be distributed to the children in orphanages and hospitals. They will remain in Bosnia as along as funds last - or can be raised. So if you haven't made a donation PLEASE give to help alleviate suffering such as we are never likely to experience- thank God !
Here now is a brief update from George on problems nearer to home: " Still no news from the Department of the Environment on the North of Hertford application from Redland and Pioneer. It is SIX years since it all started. but we remain optimistic!
More so. perhaps. in the knowledge that. after six and a half years. the Burford. Warwickshire application by Pioneer has been thrown out. CAGE was involved in their campaign and spoke at their Public Inquiry three years ago at Leamington Spa.
We congratulate Charles Cadogan. the farmer who was instrumental in getting this thrown out after going to the High Court and Court of Appeal. Patience. indeed. rewarded !
Just in case anyone has forgotten what an eyesore the pits are. take a stroll along Sacombe road to remind yourself why we annot afford to let the Gravel Companies win!

(Since George prepared the above you will have probably read in the local paper that permission has been given to Redlands for construction work to go ahead on nearly half the site originally earmarked. The Dept. of the Environment has said that minerals can be mined on the southern end of the site. soth and west of the road between Stonyhills and Chapmore End but rejected the appeal to mine to the north of this area.)-See also Mercury 11Feb.

(More on PESTS!)

Every houshold suffers from pests sooner or later.Whether they're insects or animals. they come in all shapes and sizes. Some look unpleasant but are harmless. However. a few can be a health risk because they contaminate food or carry disease. Many more can cause food safety problems through transporting bacteria.

East Herts Council has a small team of experts who specialise in getting rid of obnoxious pests(Don't worry the kids are safe!) Often they can use techniques and controls only available to experienced professionals.

If you think you might be harbouring unwanted guest such as..Cockroaches. Ants. Silver Fish. Dust Mites. Mice. Wasps. Fleas. Rats or Woodlice the Council's Pest Control Officer will investigate and give FREE advice. If you are itching to have something done. contact:

Environmental Health Unit. PO Box 104. Wallfields, Pegs Lane, Hertford SG13 8EQ(0279) 655261.

Quite a few houses on the Estate suffer from SEWAGE BLOCKAGES and here the Environmental SERVICES Dept. at the same address has an excellent booklet describing responsibilites and solutions. The main differences are.....PUBLIC sewers and PRIVATE sewers. the first one being the responsibilty of the E.H.D.C. and the second of the owners of those properties who are connected to it. If you are troubled with this unpleasant problem

Drainage (Ext. 434), Council Housing Dept.(Ext. 530) or, if out of hours-
0850 330187

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Continuing along these aromatic lines.....sewage.....bugs...and now.....Litter -bugs!
Part IV of the Environmental Protection Acty 1990 introduces TOUGHER measures to deter litterers with new powers for the PUBLIC to act as 'environmental watchdogs'. Full details can be obtained from the 'Tidy Britain Group', Public Affairs Department. The Pier, WIGAN. WN3 4EX. Tel. 0942 824620. We wont depress you too much by warning you of all the pitfalls and fines you may be exposed to by tossing that unwanted bedroom suite onto Bengeo street, but the full facts are in a leaflet we have(before we screw it up and throw it into next door's garden!)

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Before we draw in a breath of that pure Spring air this leads us, naturally, on to...Yes...you've guessed.....Our dear Four-footed friends!(which is also covered in the above booklet)
Sadly, inspite of our pleas, there are still owners who seem to delight in taking their dogs out at night who leave their mark on the pavements or greens to the detriment of everyone else, particularly children!(If you see the owners or know who they are, why not have a friendly word?)
It is ILLEGAL for dog owners to let their pets defecate on any public areas and they can be FINED! Obviously 'Poops' will be taken short at times in which case please deposit the result in the red dog bins now situated for THIS VERY PURPOSE in:-
1. Lys Hill Gardens.(near the 'phone box) 2.Sacombe road(on the footpath behind the hedge by the school) 3. The entrance to playspace from The Wick. Poop-a scoops are now widely available but if this 'breaks the bank' it is easy enough to use a peice of cardboard and plastic bag and, if necessary, take it home for disposal.
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home for disposal.
The 'offenders' are, thankfully, very much in the minority. So even if you couldn't care less about the dangers to others remember.... .....it could cost you !

NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN WEEK - 15th. - 24th. APRIL

(Well, at least this is a clean publication!)- As part of the Tidy Britain Group's Anglia in Bloom Campaign, groups, organisations, schools and businesses are all being invited to arrange their own Spring Clean event.
If you think you wil be able to help, even for part of the morning, please let Pam Lutner know.
Further details of the clean up theme if any, will be sent out nearer the time

The Ed. still has the original details of Norris & DUVAL's particulars of the new houses originally built on this Estate by Leach, if they would care to collect them.

Keeping on a more aromatic theme----we apologise for omitting the winners of last years SUMMER and AUTUMN GARDENS COMPETITOR from the last issue. So, to make amends.....

Best Basket/Tubs, etc.

1st. Prize - 4, Desborough Close
2nd. " - 31, The Drive.

Best Gardens

1st. Prize - 16, The Wick(Mr. & Mrs. Karn)
2nd. " - 40, The Wick (Mr. Proctor)
3rd. " - 34, The Avenue (Mr. & Mrs. Kenney)
4th. " - 51, Cowper Crescent.(Miss Strohm)
5th. " - 83, Cowper Crescent(Mr. & Mrs. Cooper)
6th. " - 18, Desbrough Close (Mrs. Moy)

SPRING winners to follow.
ALL winners are invited to the A.G.M. in May to collect their prizes!

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

JOHN BALDWIN reports in his January newsletter that crime has not increased in our patch (OR decreased !). His comments cover the 'three pyramids' which comprise Bengeo and take the usual form - houses. car thefts (and contents).
Try and get along to John's 'surgeries' which will all be held at:

THE GREYHOUND PUB.

the next one being on Saturday 19th. February. 2.30 - 4 p.m(.IF you receive this in time !.)
Did you know that if you should be unfortunate enough to be a victim of any crime all the details could be published in the local press WITHOUT your consent. So.. remember to tell the police if you want NO publicity as you are unlikely to be asked. Wrong...? If you think this should not be permitted please write to the Chief Constable, Baden -Skitt. Hertfordshire County Constabulary. Stanborough Road. Welwyn Garden City.
Once again PRECAUTIONARY measures are far better than punishing the culprits and making Insurance claims. If you leave your garage doors open - a common occurrence in the summer months -burglars may give the contents the 'once-over to note items of value. They might even use YOUR tools to force their way into a neighbours house - so help you and next door by securing outside buildings as well as the main house.
John can still arrange surveys - free of charge - for insurance Co. requirements.---HERTFORD POLICE -587711 - (or Pam Lutner -581329)
The same telephone numbers apply for reporting any door-to-door pedlars - especially if they are selling food. particularly..... **Fish !**
MORE OR THEFTS.....

1. **CARS:** The AA have endorsed and promoted a sophisticated electronic system called TRACKER which enables the police to track your car almost anywhere in mainland Britain.

In the U.K.. which is the car crime CAPITAL of the E.C..you have a 1 in 37 chance of having your car stolen - in any ONE year ! !
As with household insurance, companies give DISCOUNTS where cars are fitted with the TRACKING device.
There are various ways of paying for this device, but an outlay of something in the region of £350 will cover all costs.
To find out more details read the leaflet available from the Police or Pam Lutner.

2. Thefts from HOUSES:

Many will have seen the Botanist DAVID BELLAMY promoting 'Operation Spider ' in the local 'rag'
This campaigne aims to make the County a Housebreaker-free zone 'An average of 14 homes are broken into every DAY in Hertfordshire !
The sticky web is set by the police (spider)to catch the burglar (fly) which could make burglars in the County an 'endangered species'.
'Operation Spider' includes the active support of district and county councils, crime prevention panels, neighbourhood watch and victim support schemes.
For more details, see the 'Mercury' of 4th. February or ask your local friendly Redisents' Association Chairperson !

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IN YOUR FRONT YARD - Volunteers wanted please....Can you display a small board in your front garden ? These are urgently needed for Neighbourhood Watch notices, news, etc.(Board supplied)
Please support our area and neigbourhood watch by 'phoning Pam...we'll do the rest !
A FINAL thought....."..May you all be aware of your inner self that's at one with everything in the universe...."...
Be back in the good 'ol ***summer time*** !

YELLOW PAGES

Anything to buy, sell, advertise ? NOW's your chance and it's.......FREE !

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HOT OF THE PRESS ! WATER TOWER UPDATE

Andrea Humphrey reports:-

We are very PLEASED to inform you that your objections have been heard LOUD and CLEAR by the owners of the Tower, Lea Valley Water Co. It seems that they will not be allowing any more development than has already been granted.

This information has come to light by a very recent planning application to E.H.D.C. by Mercury Personal Communications (the sister co. to Mercury Communications who already operates on the Tower) for permission to erect Telecommunications equipment on the roof of County Hall(the emergency services already have radio masts there !). An excerpt from their planning request reads"Unfortunately discussions between Lea Valley and another telecommunications operator who already operates from the site, Mercury Communications (our sister co.) raised various adverse publicity which was unacceptable to Lea Valley. In addition rights of access problems were identified and unfortunately at this stage Lea Valley Water withdrew from negotiations in Aug. 1993 leaving us with no site " THANK YOU everyone who took the time to write and object, as it seems that, in this instance, it made all the difference!