

# HANNAH'S DAY 2007

1 August 2007

Hi

Nigel and I are planning to again hold Hannah's day in 2007. For those of you not familiar with the event it's in memory of my mother who loved to keep in touch with everyone she cared about. Whilst she was alive the birthday parties we held did the job admirably. Once she'd passed away these were obviously no longer appropriate. So now, usually as close as possible to July 28<sup>th</sup>, the anniversary of the date she passed away, we hold Hannah's Day as an Open Day (come and go when you please - children welcome in the afternoon) to keep in touch with relatives and friends. We frequently enjoy the company of some of you whilst others of you we don't see very often. But if you're reading this it's because you're included in the folk I care about, so I want to stay in touch with you and would really like to meet up with you again.

As you can see from the above, our usual date has been and gone. Some of you will already know why this year's Hannah's Day couldn't be held at the usual time. They will also know why it won't be exactly the same as in previous years. For those of you who don't know the reason, it's because on the 29<sup>th</sup> June, I went into hospital to have one of my dodgy hips replaced. The other one is scheduled to be done on the 16<sup>th</sup> of this month.

Most of the folk with whom I've discussed Hannah's Day 2007 agree it would be better to wait a while before attempting to hold a party, and we've finally all agreed on September 15<sup>th</sup> for this year's event. However, I'll still be in the specified (by the hospital) 3 months recovery time from both ops., so I won't be able to get busy in food preparation. Nor will we be able to arrange the party at home for similar reasons. So this is what we've planned.

You may remember my mother's 99<sup>th</sup> and 100<sup>th</sup> birthday parties were held at The Crystal Palace public house in Berkhamsted. The new owners have kindly offered to let us have the use of their Public Bar for the day. (They'll have live music in the other bar in the evening which guests will be able to enjoy should they want to.) We'll buy nuts and crisps but won't be providing the usual spread so I'm also asking you to bring some food for the communal table. (Please check with me first to make sure you don't all bring the same things.) Don't worry if you can't bring anything though. It's you I want to be there, not what you bring with you. Each year's party has been better than the one before. Help make this year's one the same.

If you can't make the party for any reason, please get in touch either by "phone, snail-mail or e-mail so that we can at least catch up on the latest news from each other. And in the true spirit of Hannah's Day, why not contact someone else that you don't see very often, just to let them know that you still think of them and care about them.

Love from me and Nigel

Naomi