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BRISTOL HEBREW CONGREGATION  
THE SYNAGOGUE, PARK ROW, BRISTOL

### Synagogue Services:

Friday Evenings 7.30 p.m.  
Saturday Mornings 10.0 a.m.

### Minister:

Rev. M. Modell,  
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Bristol, G.  
Tel: 40615

### Hon. Sec.

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37, Long Eaton Drive,  
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Talmud Torah Classes: Sunday  
mornings 10.00.a.m. to 12.45.p.m.

Hon. Sec. Mrs. M. Kushner,  
37, Long Eaton Drive,  
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BRISTOL 4.  
Tel: Whitchurch 3576

Bristol Jewish Ladies' Guild:

Hon. Sec. Mrs. I. Berkovitch,  
2, Clevedale,  
Downend,  
BRISTOL.

Bristol W.I.Z.O. Group:

Hon. Sec. Mrs. S. Tobias,  
12, Meadowside,  
Thornbury,  
BRISTOL.

Both Ladies' Organisations  
hold regular meetings and  
functions throughout the year.

## *for your diary . . .*

### Sunday, 4th November

Stone Settings

### Tuesday, 6th November

Talk on Soviet Jewry

### Wednesday, 7th November

Hair & Fashion Show &  
Jumble Sale

### Sunday, 18th November

Ex-Servicemens' Parade

### Monday, 19th November

Evening Meeting Ladies' Guild

### Saturday, 24th November

Square Dance

### Sunday, 25th November

Annual General Meeting

YAHREZITS:

Monday	5th November	Mrs. R. Ring	Cheshvan 10
Wednesday	7th November	Mrs. F. White	Cheshvan 12
Wednesday	14th November	Mrs. M. Garcia	Cheshvan 19
Thursday	15th November	Mrs. E. Fox	Cheshvan 20
Sunday	18th November	Lazarus Sisters	Cheshvan 23
Wednesday	21st November	Mr. J. Malik	Cheshvan 26

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KADDISH WILL BE SAID THE PREVIOUS EVENING

The Memorial Prayer (El Mole Rachamim) will be recited by the Minister during the Reading of the Law, on the Sabbath prior to the Yahrzeit, in the presence of the bereaved.

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COMMUNAL NOTICES - SOCIAL & PERSONAL

A further reminder that the Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday, 25th November. This will be an important meeting, and we hope for a maximum attendance.

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It will not have escaped those of us who use the Synagogue and its attendant buildings, that there has been a marked improvement in general cleanliness and all round appearance, to say nothing of our "front and back" gardens". Great credit for this should be publicly expressed to our Caretaker, Mr. George, as well as thanks from the official organisations.

It would be greatly appreciated if congregants, when using the Hall, Committee Room or Kitchen, would leave things as tidy as they can, and we ask urgently that the LAST person leaving the premises on each occasion, kindly ring Mr. George's doorbell to advise him that the Yahrzeit, Meeting, or whatever, is over so that he can check the premises, and look up immediately. This is a matter of SECURITY as well as courtesy, which we trust Members will appreciate. Thank you.

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Stonesettings will take place at Ridgeway Cemetery on 4th November for Mrs. Averbush and Mr. Freeland.

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Miss Pamela Glick, recently returned from Israel, will shortly join the Talmud Torah teaching staff.

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Date of the next Council Meeting will be the 21st November at 7.30.p.m.

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Our thanks to the Choson Torah and Choson Bereshit, Mr. Lionel Caplan and Mr. Mark Ornstein, who with their wives, invited the Congregation to Kiddush after the Service on Simchas Torah.

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The Hon. Officers and the Council join the Members in expressing their gratitude to Mr. Len Gould for once again giving his services to the Community during the Yomin N'royim. As a small token of their appreciation, Mr. Gould was presented with a leather bound copy of the Pantateuch.

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We are sorry to learn of the indisposition of Mr. Lesley, who has been in the B.R.I. but is now convalescing. We wish him well.

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Good wishes to Mrs. Ann Ornstein, now convalescing after an operation. We hope that she continues to make progress, and will soon be back in circulation.

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Good to hear that Mr. Alf Glick is now recovering after a long spell in bed with back trouble, and is now making good progress.

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The October Lottery Prize was won by Mr. Hubert Newman.

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We are pleased to hear that Mrs. Nan Newman is now recovering after an operation. We wish her well. We also hear that Norman Newman who successfully ran our Habonim group last year, is now in Israel keeping Bristol's flag flying at Bat Ha'aimek Kibbutz. His parents also hope to be able to go out soon.

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Congratulations once again to Ann Sennel, whose daughter Valerie, marries Stephen Miller on Sunday, 25th November.

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Mrs. Irene Berkovitch would like to thank all Members of the Congregation for their kind enquiries and good wishes during her recent stay in Hospital, and since her return home.

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EMERGENCY FUND FOR ISRAEL

We are happy to take this opportunity of thanking everyone who contributed so generously to the efforts to aid Israel in the terrible struggle for lasting peace and security. It is a wonderful side of human nature and particularly a Jewish characteristic that disaster and danger produce solidarity which seems to lie dormant in ordinary times. Not only do we thank the contributors, but also all those good people who made themselves responsible for approaching the various parties for funds and to those who helped and are helping in whatever capacity, to raise more money in the opening and running of the shop. It has been a wonderful effort on the part of everyone, but we must never forget that it is little compared with the terrible sacrifices that have been made by our brothers and sisters in Israel. May God grant that peace will soon be achieved in the Middle East and may He bless us all with the strength to renew our efforts for the people of the Promised Land.

SYDNEY CURWEN, Chairman Bristol  
J.I.A.

RUTH CURWEN, Chairman Bristol  
W.I.Z.O.

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A.J.E.X. Members, support your Branch at the Parade in London on Sunday, 18th November.  
Meet Horseguards Parade 2.30.p.m.

All able-bodied men should turn up - this year above all.

For information 'phone Gerald Gee 684013

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In last month's Recorder, an article appeared suggesting that in view of the financial position of the Synagogue, members receiving Mitzvath over the High Holy Days may care to make a donation to the general Synagogue Funds. The response has been very disappointing and, in fact, only two donations were received - both from Council Members.

Fortunately, we have received a most generous donation of £100. from Mr. A.E. Morris.

It is still not too late to remedy this matter, and I would be very pleased to receive donations. I appreciate that the current situation in Israel is causing grave concern and constitutes a first charge on our resources. Nevertheless, a strong and viable Synagogue is also important.

The majority of the members of the Community would appear to be apathetic where the Synagogue is concerned. Possibly, one answer would be to introduce "shnoddering" on the High Holy Days.

ARNOLD GREENWOOD

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Congregants may know, that the house occupied by Rev. Modell was originally purchased by Mr. A.E. Morris on Mortgage on behalf of the Community who were asked only to pay the interest. Mr. Morris has never taken the interest to date, and has now presented the House to the Community free of all interest and encumbrances.

The Council, on behalf of the Community, wish to express their gratitude to Mr. & Mrs. Morris for this, one more example of their wonderful generosity to this Congregation.

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EIGHT FOR EIGHT

invite you to a

SQUARE DANCE

on

Tickets Saturday, 24th November, 1973

50p.

Refreshments. at  
The Synagogue Hall.

in aid of  
Synagogue  
Building Fund.

It's as much fun to watch as to dance, so please come.



BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD

Owing to all the Ladies of the Community helping to raise funds for Israel in the W.I.Z.O. Shop, it was decided to postpone the meeting scheduled to take place on Monday, 22nd October until Monday, 19th November, when we hope to have Mr. David Wolfe giving a talk on "HYPNOSIS". Husbands are welcome to attend this meeting, which will take place at 59, The Dell, the Hostess being Mrs. Seymour.

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BRISTOL W.I.Z.O. GROUP

The season opened with an afternoon meeting on Tuesday, 16th October, in the home of Mrs. S. Silverman, which was very well attended.

AUTUMN JUMBLE SALE

The Autumn Jumble Sale will take place on Wednesday, 7th November at St. John's Parish Hall, Whiteladies Road. The Jumble Sale will commence at 2.00.p.m. Sorting will take place from 11.00.a.m. If you are unable to help in the morning, please make every effort to help in the afternoon. If you have any jumble please leave this at the Synagogue House, before the 7th.

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HAIR & FASHION SHOW by  
MICHAEL OF Clifton & EDGARS of Queens Rd.

at

THE DRAGONARA HOTEL, REDCLIFFE WAY on

WEDNESDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER, AT 8.00.p.m.

Ticket 50p.

Refreshments

All proceeds to Israel.

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NEW/NEARLY NEW SHOP

At an Emergency Meeting held in the Synagogue Hall on Thursday, 18th October, Bristol W.I.Z.O. Group, the Ladies Guild ORT and other Women's Organisations in Bristol, agreed to jointly open a shop, kindly given by Marks & Spencers, from Monday, the 22nd October for two weeks, in order to raise money for Israel. As so many women will be involved in the running of this shop, no meetings will take place during this time, and cards will be sent to members informing them of the time and place of the next WIZO meeting, when this is arranged.

As the shop in the Arcade beside Marks & Spencers is not a large one, and as a rota has been worked out, members are asked not to "drop in to see how things are doing". Space is limited and we hope to have it filled with customers buying up the stock.

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On the 7th November, please make every effort to attend the Hair & Fashion Show. Bring all your neighbours, friends, and please tell as many people as possible about it.

S. TOBIAS  
Hon. Secretary

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SOVIET JEWRY

On the 6th November at 7.30. at Horfield Baptist Church, Gloucester Road, a prominent personality will speak on the problem of Soviet Jewry. ALL WELCOME.....

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Following an exciting call to Dr. Vladimir Mash in Moscow (adopted by the Bristol Campaign for Soviet Jewry one year ago) on the 18th September, we learned that he was about to obtain a visa for him and his family. We 'phoned again on the 24th and he had actually got the visa and was going to be in Vienna on the 3rd October. He is Bristol's first "home" success. He first applied for a visa in May, 1972 and was continually demoted until sacked in May, 1973. We have followed his progress since October, 1972 by telephone each fortnight, and letter each week. We hope he may eventually be able to come to Bristol on tour, to speak on the Soviet Jewry issue.

On the eve of the Jewish New Year (26th September) the Bishop of Bristol, patron of the Campaign, Rt. Rev. Oliver Tomkins, telephoned the Moscow flat of Dr. Mark Naspits where many Soviet Jewish academic activists were gathered. He gave them New Year greetings and the hope that next year will see them as free men.

Well over 200 Jewish New Year cards have been sent from Bristol to families all over the USSR, by people of all denominations. Many more are to be sent later on.

The three Bristol M.P.'s who are patrons of the Campaign (Mr. Benn and Mr. Palmer - Labour - and Mr. Cooke - Con.) signed an inter party statement sent to Sir Alec Douglas Home (Foreign Sec.) asking that he bring up the issue of Soviet Jewry at the recent European Security and Co-operation talks in Geneva.

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A post-script to the freedom of Dr. Mash. He was mentioned on the radio the day of the Schoneau affair, and was then interviewed on the I.T.V. programme "This Week" on the 4th October. He sent special greetings to his friends in Bristol, but this part of the interview was edited out, as we were informed by the Producer.

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