

## THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

JODY BALLARD

Presentation

TIM ANDREWS

# Garden Party

BUCKINGHAM PALACE ON TUESDAY 20TH JULY, 1999 FROM 3PM TO 6PM





Trustees: HRH The Duke of Edinburgh KG, KT; HRH The Prince Edward CVO;
Michael Blackburn; Sir Tom Farmer CBE; Michael Kingshott; Christopher Lowe; Lady Ryder MBE; Stephen Sharp

#### Dear Award Supporter

Nearly 2,000 young people from all over Britain will come to Buckingham Palace on Tuesday 20 July 1999 to celebrate the achievement of the Gold Standard of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award at a Presentation and Garden Party.

The Garden Party will be like other Royal Garden Parties and will be in the presence of His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh.

I would be very pleased if you were able to join us in celebrating the achievement of the Gold Award recipients. With the valued contributions of volunteer helpers, Unit Leaders and generous supporters, the Award has been fortunate in extending its programme to so many young people.

I have had extensive opportunities to travel and listen to a wide range of people connected with the Award young people; helpers and Leaders; and officials in various Organisations and Local Authorities. My immediate impressions are of the strong unity of purpose and enthusiasm of everyone I have met and a determination to make the Award available to as many people as possible. Thank you again for your efforts in making this purpose a reality.

I consider myself very fortunate in playing a part - along with yourself - in our outstanding and highly regarded programme for young people all over the United Kingdom, and indeed the Award operates in another 60 countries around the world. In taking the Award forward I am strongly committed to sustaining its high standards.

I very much hope that you will continue your involvement with the Award: it is only with the help of people like yourself that we can achieve our aim of making it available to more young people.

I hope you will be able to come to this event, for which detailed information is printed opposite.

Yours sincerely

Vice Admiral Michael Gretton, CB

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DIRECTOR



### The details below should answer any questions you may have and help you to enjoy the occasion.

The Equerries-in-Waiting to His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh wish it to be known that it is NOT possible to arrange for the transfer of an invitation between individuals.

#### ARRIVAL

There are three entrances to the Gardens of Buckingham Palace, all of which will be open from 2pm ready for the start of the Presentation ceremony at 3pm. You will be sent details of which entrance you must use. Please note that there may be a short distance to walk from the entrance into the Palace grounds.

There is always considerable traffic around Buckingham Palace and guests are therefore advised to use public transport wherever possible. For those travelling by car, there is parking available along the Mall for those who request it – please see the enclosed proforma. Guests should enter and leave the Palace on foot, leaving and rejoining their vehicles where they have been parked. Guests are not permitted to alight from their vehicles or be collected immediately outside Buckingham Palace.

Victoria Underground and Main Line Station is within a short walking distance of the Grosvenor Place Gate and Hyde Park Underground Station is very near Constitution Hill Gate. Numerous buses pass Hyde Park Corner, Grosvenor Place and Victoria Street. There will also be a taxi rank in operation outside Buckingham Palace. Please see over for a map of the area.

Guests entering the Palace for the Garden Party should have their Official Invitation and Personal Admittance Card ready to show to the Police on duty at the gate. These cards, together with information regarding the presentation of the certificates, will be sent to you not later than two to three weeks before the event. Please note that ALL guests must be over the age of 18 years.

#### TEAS

You should be aware that teas are served in the Tea Tents throughout the afternoon. For your own comfort you are advised to avoid the queues when tea is first served.

#### **CHAIRS**

Please do not 'reserve' chairs by leaving items placed upon them. Guests are asked kindly to give their chair to any guest in greater need.

#### DRESS

Gentlemen: Uniform or lounge suit or jacket and trousers
Ladies: Uniform, afternoon dress or suit (hat optional)

There are no cloakroom facilities, although umbrellas and overcoats may be taken into the grounds. No parcels, bags or cases of any description (other than ladies' handbags), should be brought into the Palace. Entry will be refused to anyone in possession of any such articles.

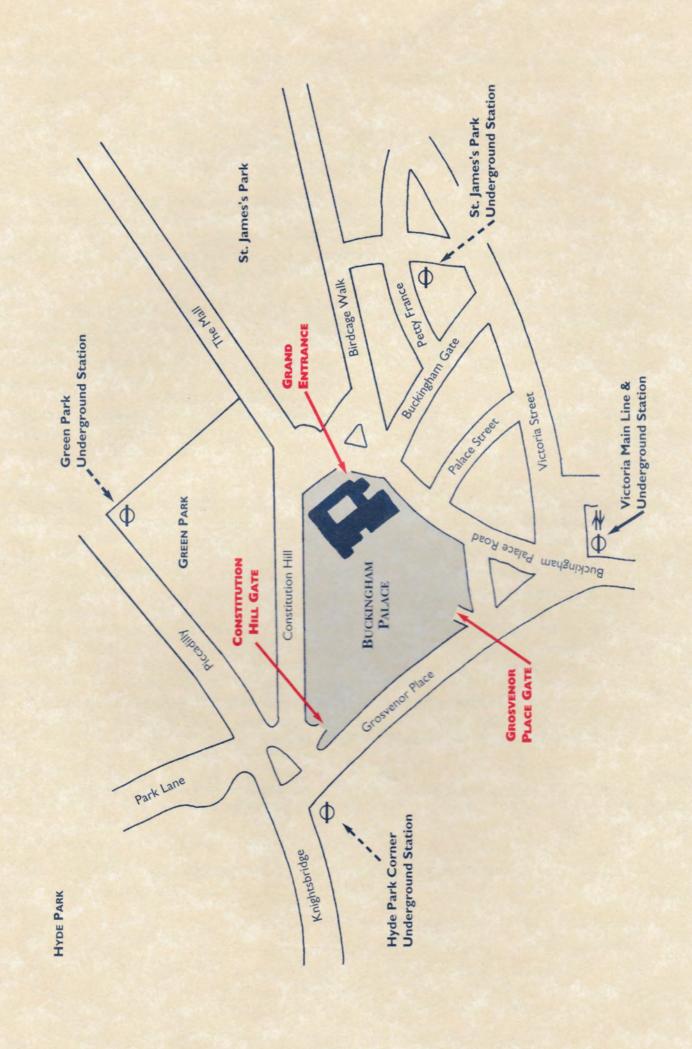
#### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Cameras must not be brought in as private photography is not permitted in the Palace or Gardens. Beware of photographers outside the Palace - they have nothing whatsoever to do with The Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

Please note that the use of mobile phones is not permitted within the Palace grounds.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:

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The VSL Phil Brown flanked by Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award Recipients Tim Andrew & Jody Ballard shortly after their presentations at the Buckingham Palace Garden Party.



The Equerry-in-Waiting to The Duke of Edinburgh is desired by His Royal Highness to invite

Mr P Brown to a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday, 20th July, 1999 from 4 to 6pm for Young People who have gained the Gold Standard of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Regrets only to: Gold Award Officer The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Gulliver House Madeira Walk Windsor Berkshire SL4 1EU

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Dear Award Supporter

Her Majesty The Queen has graciously given her permission for The Duke of Edinburgh's Award to hold a Gold Award Presentation and Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday 20th July from 3pm to 6pm.

In order to celebrate the achievement of Gold Awards, we are inviting approximately 2000 Gold Award Holders to this event together with their parents/two personal guests and a representative number of adult leaders.

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking you for your commitment to help and support young people through the Award and are delighted to be able to extend an invitation to you to attend the Presentation and Garden Party. I must point out however, that this is an invitation to you personally and not to your post. Therefore, if you are unable to come, I am afraid that this invitation is not transferable. Although we would have liked to be able to extend this invitation so that you might bring a guest with you, you will understand that unfortunately, limited numbers preclude this.

We would be most grateful if you could fill out the enclosed reply sheet and return it to us **no later than Friday 21st May**, indicating whether or not you are able to attend and if you require parking. The official invitation, admittance card and other details will be sent out 2-3 weeks before the date but, in the meantime, I enclose some more information on the event. We will be presenting the Gold Award Holders with their certificates and this ceremony will take place first, followed by the Garden Party. You will therefore need to arrive at Buckingham Palace ready for entry into the grounds at 2pm when the gates are opened.

We do hope you are able to attend and look forward to receiving your reply sheet. With many thanks once again for your dedication to the Award.

For information, the direct telephone number for either myself or my assistant Joanna Murphy is 01753 727426 / 727425.

Yours sincerely

Clare Stanford (Mrs) Gold Award Officer

Patron: HRH The Duke of Edinburgh KG, KT

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