

On Dry Land At Last

HAMPSTEAD, starting their third season at the Hornsey C.C. ground in Tivoli Road, Crouch End, expect to enjoy drier, firmer and faster pitches. A mole drainage scheme was completed just before the close of last season.

N. A. F. Cardoza has resigned the captaincy of the 1st XI but hopes to play regularly. He is succeeded by J. Griffiths, a Scottish trials player. With English international J. F. Deegan at centre-half and F. C. Welles of the R.A.F. more often available at centre-forward, there is the nucleus of a strong side.

Hampstead expect to run five teams and there may be a limited number of vacancies. Trials were held at Victoria Park, Hackney, a week ago (Sept. 23) in preparation for the opening fixture against Old Kingstonians today (Sept. 30).

The annual dinner will be held on Friday, Dec. 1, at Pimm's Restaurant, Bishopsgate. Applications for membership should be sent to the hon. secretary, C. Greenhalgh, 49, Broom Close, Broom Road, Teddington, Middlesex.