

# The prickly problem of 'fearless' Harriet

WHEN Harriet the hedgehog began to behave oddly, staff at South Manchester Wildlife Sanctuary soon became concerned.

First there was her penchant for taking strolls in the middle of the day. And when she attacked a sanctuary worker by trying to bite through his jeans they knew something was amiss.

Now wildlife experts think a bang to the head has caused Harriet to lose her nocturnal instinct which enables her to tell the difference between day and night.

Staff at the centre in Alderley Edge first noticed Harriet's odd behaviour after treating her four babies for an ear infection.

Martin Turner, who was looking after the new family, said: "I went into the garden and something bit my foot. I was stunned when I saw Harriet running off. She is absolutely fearless."

Harriet has now found a new home in north Wales.



**ODD BEHAVIOUR** Martin Turner with three of Harriet's babies. They have all found new homes