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Our picture shows part of the large crowd who enjoyed the Harbury Carnival and Fete. This opportunity for a village get-together is most welcome, and the organisers are to be congratulated on providing a 'good-day-out'. See inside for further details.

We mentioned a Harbury News competition last month, and it has been decided that this will be a photographic one. Full details are given inside - do have a go.

Are you a 'bus user? Would you like to be a 'bus user if it was cheaper, more convenient etc? The Parish Council is concerned that it may eventually have to fight to preserve even a skeleton service for the village. Information as to the extent of use and interest in the 'bus service is needed now. If you are interested please contact the Parish Clerk, Mr. Ray Carter, 2 Margaret Close. Don't let Harbury miss the 'bus!

### HARBURY DIARY

JULY 1976

- Sun. 4th Short Family Service, 11.15 a. m. in Church.  
 Tues. 6th Playgroup Coffee Morning & Bring & Buy, 10 -  
 12 noon, 67 Mill Street.

- Thurs. 8th Golden Age, Village Hall, 2.30 p. m.  
 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7.30 p. m.
- Tues. 13th Harbury Friends Treasure Hunt. Meet Village  
 Hall car park, 7 p. m.  
 Village Hall Committee Meeting, 8 p. m.  
 WOULD ALL ORGANISATIONS PLEASE SEND  
 A REPRESENTATIVE.
- Sat. 17th Liberals' Garden Party (weather permitting),  
 3 Park Lane.
- Tues. 20th Tufty Club, Village Hall, 2.30 p. m.  
 W.I. Car Treasure Hunt, members only.  
 Meet V. Hall car park at 7.30 p. m.  
 Senior Citizens Ben. Assoc., V. Hall, 8 p. m.  
 Young Wives Summer Garden Meeting, 8 p. m.  
 at 25 South Parade.
- Sun. 25th Footpath Assoc. ramble from V. Hall, 2.30 p. m.
- Thurs. 29th Golden Age, Village Hall, 2.30 p. m.

AUGUST 1976

- Tues. 17th Senior Citizens Ben. Assoc., V. Hall, 8 p. m.
- Fri. 20th Football Club Dance, Village Hall.
- Sun. 29th Footpath Assoc. ramble, V. Hall start 2.30 p. m.

CHOIR PRACTICE, Church, 6.30 p. m. every Friday  
 CRUSADERS, V. Hall, 2.30 every Sunday. (last meeting 18th  
 July; restart 12th September).

BINGO, V. Hall, 8 p. m. every Monday

YOUTH CLUB, V. Hall, 8 p. m. every Wednesday

BABY CLINIC, V. Hall, 2 p. m. 2nd & 4th Wednesdays.

special appointments, every 3rd Monday.

SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 7-9 every Friday.

THEATRE GROUP, Dog Inn, 8 p. m. last Friday each month.

ALL DATES CORRECT AT TIME OF GOING TO PRESS.

DATES FOR INCLUSION TO MRS. S. BENNETT, 612618.

THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

The month of June has been marked by some notable events  
 in our village. To mention but three, we have had the Family  
 Communion and Parish Breakfast on Whitsunday, the Carnival

and Fete on the following Saturday, and the Senior Citizens' Benefit Association's Summer Outing to Woburn Abbey on 16th June. Among the coming events during July, there will be the Golden Age outing to Lichfield and Treatham Gardens on the 27th.

May I draw your attention to the fact that the A.G.M. of the Men's Society has been postponed from Thursday 1st July to 15th July. It will be at 7.45 p.m. in the Vicarage, and all men will be welcome.

I would also like to mention the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham on Sat/Sun 28th/29th August. Applications have to be in before 26th July to the Revd. D. B. Pugh of Longford Vicarage. I would be pleased to give anyone information about this, and applications may, if desired, be forwarded to Fr. Pugh through me.

I close with a few words about our Daily Services. In addition to our Sunday Services and occasional special services on weekdays, we have our full round of regular daily weekday services. The Offices of Mattins ('Morning Prayer') and Evensong ('Evening Prayer') are said daily after the ringing of the bell. The Holy Eucharist is also celebrated daily (usually half an hour after Mattins), again after the ringing of the bell. To have a daily Eucharist in a parish is a privilege indeed, and I wonder whether more people might not make use of it. Why not come, for example, on your birthday or on your wedding anniversary? Perhaps the time is not convenient, so please let me know if you think a change in the times would be desirable. Of course, attendance on a weekday should not take the place of attendance on a Sunday, for the Sunday Eucharist is an obligation for all Church people whenever it is possible, but a weekday Eucharist perhaps once a week can be for some people a valuable 'extra' in their devotional life.

With every blessing,

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

F. R. Mackley.

#### FUNERAL SERVICE

18th June, Arthur James Barrett, aged 70 years.

We remember Mr. Barrett as a faithfully member  
and bell-ringer of our Church. R.I.P.

## From the Churchwardens

It was good to have so many at the Whit Sunday Family Communion and breakfast. Young people were particularly well represented at this service as, in addition to Scouts and Cub Scouts, Guides and Brownie Guides, nearly 30 of Harbury Crusaders who were attending their weekend camp joined us and took part in the service.

We were delighted to receive a letter from the Rev. H. Scott Kirby, Rector of the Church of St. John on the Mountain, Bernardsville, U.S.A., one of the Churches in New Jersey which one of us visited recently. Mr. Scott Kirby writes, "On behalf of the Church of St. John on the Mountain, may I thank you for the warm greetings which you sent to us by one of your parishioners. It is indeed a great joy and delight to have contact with our brothers and sisters in the birthland of our American Church. May I extend an invitation to any of you who might visit this country to come to our parish and partake of our hospitality. God's blessing upon you." Our parish was remembered in prayer in St. John's on Whit Sunday.

On Sunday, 4th July, our choir and congregation have been invited to take part in the Royal Show United Service, at which the preacher is the Archbishop of York.

### HARBURY SCHOOL

Children's Sponsored Walk Despite blistering heat, 200 children walked many miles, and no doubt made a lot of money for the Pool Fund. Our picture shows some who walked especially far, but every child who took part deserves our warmest congratulations.



Back row, left to right:  
Andrew Winter, aged 11,  
who walked 14 miles;  
Gary Andrew(11), 14 miles;  
Simon Timperley(11), 14  
miles; Adrian Wilkins(11),  
13 miles; Stuart Brain(11),  
13 miles.

Front row, left to right:  
Michela Sedgley (6), 9  
miles; Christina Sutton(9),  
10 miles.

Swimming has started with a bang, and the children really do benefit. The school presents its own Width and Length certificates, and already 26 Width and 34 Length certificates have been awarded, and a great number of children are going on to swim greater distances.

Further to my note in last month's issue when I mentioned that Mrs. Turner will be leaving us, I can now tell you that her replacement will be Miss Pamela Nurser who comes to us from College in Oxford where she has been studying for her B. Ed. degree. Her home is in Coventry, but she wishes to live in the village and get involved in village activities. I am therefore anxious to find accommodation for her in the village, which will mean bed and breakfast from Mondays to Fridays only. If anyone can help, please contact the school.

Mrs. C. Wright has been successful in obtaining secondment for next year so that she can attend a full year's course at Canley College of Education where she will study for her B. Ed. degree. We congratulate Mrs. Wright on passing her preliminary examination, and wish her success for next year. Mrs. Wright's temporary replacement for next year will be a teacher on the County Supply staff, and at the present time we have no details of who that will be.

#### Forthcoming dates:

Wednesday, 7th July, Infant Sports, 1.45 p.m.

July 8th and 9th, Occasional Days Holiday.

Friday, 16th July, Infant 'Singalong' in the School Hall at 2.30.

All parents and friends are invited to come along and enjoy singing well-known songs with the small children.  
SCHOOL BREAKS UP on Friday 23rd July. Return to school, Wednesday, 8th September.

Junior Sports were held on 9th June, this year on a glorious day. We were pleased to welcome a large number of parents and friends who were all treated to an exciting afternoon of a whole variety of races in which everyone joined with enthusiasm. Mrs. Watts again kindly presented the House Shield, which was won by Morris. The shield was received by the two House Captains, Paula Wallington and Stephen Hunt. Individual cups were presented to Christopher Warden and Lester Edwards (1st year boys), Susan Alan (1st year girls), Robert Grinnel (2nd year boys), Ann Wood (2nd year girls), Ian Pett (3rd

year boys), Jill Humphreys(3rd year girls), Andrew Winter (4th year boys), Susannah Gascoyne(4th year girls).

In the Town Sports held on the Edmondscote Track in Warwick, Kevan Lines and Paula Wallington achieved firsts, Jennifer Scott a second, and Simon Timperley a 3rd.

#### CHILDREN'S IMPRESSIONS OF A SCHOOL HOLIDAY

On 24th May Class 10 set off on their P.G.L. Adventure Holiday in the Brecon Beacons. All who went were looking forward to it very much, having heard how much last year's class enjoyed it. After a coach journey, when only two were sick (no names mentioned) we were shown around the camp and had our first 'almost edible' meal. The next morning at 3 a.m. we were awakened by heavy rain, but it soon cleared up and at 10 a.m. our group of 8 set off on a 7 mile hike. We arrived back at 12.30 after seeing some beautiful scenery, and had our packed lunches.

That afternoon, we went caving which was very exciting although yours truly twice needed assistance in getting through the smaller cracks. The meal that night was Macaroni Cheese, and if you haven't eaten P.G.L. Macaroni Cheese you haven't lived! Canoeing was the activity the following morning which wasn't enjoyed by most people, least of all Mark Such who capsized four times. That afternoon we enjoyed ourselves much more when we went sailing. Leaning over the side when the boat nearly blew over was the part I thought was best.

All of the last day was spent pony-trekking, which everybody found very tiring, but thoroughly enjoyed. I had a stubborn pony called Garth who kept stopping to do naughty things in the middle of the road (perhaps he'd eaten the Macaroni Cheese!)

Our thanks to Mr. Richards, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Buck, and our parents, who made this great time possible.

RUSSELL COOKE(11)

We set out from school at around 1 p.m. and arrived in Llangorse at about 4.30 p.m. The first meal was supper, and then we went down to a field and did sports. Some of us came back and went to bed. (Editors' note: what happened to those who didn't come back?)

The food wasn't very nice, but we survived it! The activities I enjoyed most were sailing and caving. The sailing was great fun and sometimes we had to sit on the side of the boat and lean right over the side. When caving we got filthy and we had to squeeze through tiny gaps.

We slept in tents of 3 and 5. In our tent there was Cheryl, Paula, Sara-Jane, Caroline and me. Cheryl breathes heavily, so does Paula. Caroline was so quiet we thought she was dead.

Paula and I want to thank Mrs. Buck for taking us for a midnight walk, and Mrs. Thompson for going to look after us all.

HELEN SHAWCROSS

On arrival at Llangorse we all piled our luggage on to the tractor which took it up to the Eligro camp where we were staying. We were then shown our tents; each tent was concrete based. After that we all trooped down to the Equipment Store where we were issued with sleeping bag and an inner sheet, and a P.G.L. anorak (which everyone called a 'Piggle').

After tea we all trooped down to Tan Troed Centre where we had a mini sports. When we had turned in, we all probably spent a sleepless night.

The next day breakfast was at 7.30 a.m! After breakfast some of us went to the Sailing Base while the others went hill walking and caving. At the Sailing Base the first group went canoeing while the second went sailing. While canoeing, the water was very choppy. Alan Heal and Ian Thompson turned out to be real amateur amateurs at canoeing, while the 2nd group's sailing regatta was going on.

Some of the caving groups had to crawl through a tunnel 18" high, and at its lowest point it was 12". And the hillwalkers were going up Tan Troed mountain, and in some cases falling down it.

That night we all slept like logs. The next day we all swapped activities. The next day we all went pony trekking for a complete day. Our ponies were called Johnny and Spot. I think everyone enjoyed this.

The next day I think we were all sorry to leave. The journey back was a happy one, despite people being sick, but we were all glad to see our homes. S. HUNT, M. SHELLEY.

## P.T.A.

The Barbeque, held in the evening of 26th June, was a tremendous success. About 380 people cooked their steaks and danced to the Purple Porridge, whilst the usual team of stalwart P.T.A. supporters worked to keep everything running smoothly.

Please note: the Square Dance has been postponed indefinitely, the Garden Party will now be held on 18th Sept., and 'Maths for Parents' on 6th October. We apologise for any inconvenience, but these changes were unavoidable.

ANNE MEGENEY, Secretary.

## CARNIVAL '76

Yet again a tremendous success! This seems to be the verdict of everyone. John Smith, Carnival Committee Chairman, wishes to thank personally everyone concerned in any way - the Committee, the many organisations and individuals who helped, the traders who advertised in the programme, and all those people who came and supported the day so generously.

From 6th June onwards events arranged by various village organisations contributed to 'Harbury Week' to set the mood for Carnival Day itself. On the day, the first attraction was the magnificent Carnival Procession, which Leamington Silver Band led on its journey round the village. The Carnival Queen and her attendants drove in a pony and trap, followed by hoardes of fancy-dressed children and gaily decorated floats - every one a credit to the hard work and ingenuity of its designers and creators. Prizes in the General Section went to the Youth Club, the W.I. and the Brownies, and the Trade Section was won by Thwaites Ltd. In the 'horse-drawn' class, the winner was Deborah Middleton, and the 'decorated bicycle etc.' prize went to Harbury Cub Scouts. From among the many excellent fancy dress entrants, the following winners were chosen: Mark & Jeremy Hayes and Sarah Bingham, Samantha Neal and Alistair Nealon (under 5); Mark Strator, Cheryl Thornicroft and Stephen Sherlock (5-9); Nathalie Peake, Sarah Walters and Julia Pearce (10-17). John Ridgley's 'Batman' gave him the adults' prize.

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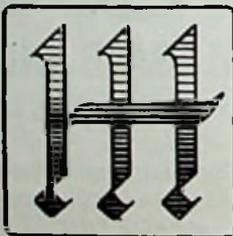
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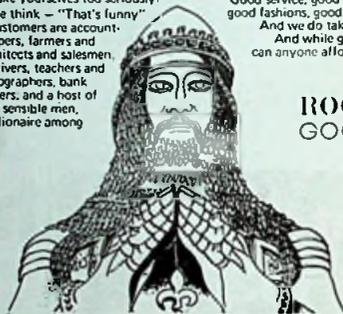


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Left: "Can I do you now, sir?". The W.I. on their second-prize winning float.

Right: the line-up of finalists in the 5-9 fancy-dress section. Below: the winning group in the section for the under-fives, Mark and Jeremy Hayes, and Sarah Bingham.



Below: the winning Tug of War team, giving it all they've got.



During the afternoon various contests took place, and results were as follows: Dog Show - Class 1; 1st Harrison, 2 Dale Close, Warwick; 2nd Ellis, 27 Kenilworth Street, Leamington Spa; 3rd Humphreys, 22 Mill Street. Class 2; 1st Sherriff, 23 Sutcliffe Drive; 2nd Wilson, Victoria House, Farm Street; 3rd Gordon, 59 Whitcliffe Lane, Ripon.

Tug of War - Winners as last year were 'The Walnut Tree'.

Six a Side Football - Winners were Southam Football Club.

The winner of the Lucky Programme draw was Mr. D. A. Greaves, Neales Close.

At the Summer Holiday Dance in the evening the twice-yearly Tennis Bond draw took place, and the winners were Mr. Kelsall of Vicarage Lane and Mr. Beatty from Leamington. A fantastic holiday spirit was engendered by the music of Penumbra, the dancers being loathe to stop dancing even to enjoy the 'bangers, beans and mash' which went down so well at 'half-time'.

The Labour Party's 'Whatsitsname?' competition was won by Mavis Taylor of Penelope Close. The items were (1) last or shoe repair iron, (2) game bird carrier, (3) Bicycle oil lamp, (4) Sawfish's saw, (5) Cobbler's hob iron, (6) gunpowder flask, (7) bellows, (8) baby's pusher, (9) ball mould, (10) wool winder, (11) cane splitter, (12) iron slug for heating flat iron, (13) carpenter's mortice gauge, (14) gun powder measure, (15) cash register, (16) shuttle.

Mr. Skinner from Southam High School, and Mrs. Skinner, chose Betty Barr and her daughter Jenny as winners of the Young Wives' 'Two of a Kind' Competition. D. H.

Athletics We had a good turn out again, and plenty of enthusiasm. Pre-entries were down on last year, which produced an entry desk under siege from 2 p.m. onwards. Southam High School kindly loaned their high jump equipment. The landing cushion took a battering all afternoon. In the 11 years and under high jump we got 21 participants. This marks a resurgence in field events which I hope continues. Perhaps a long jump pit and runway on the playing fields might turn up a Harbury Lynn Davies.

Thank you to all who took part. I hope you enjoyed the competition. Thanks to Jill Winter and Ben Leefe who acted as starters; Vicki Tanner and Simon Turner who were finish judges; Alf Over who gave out the prizes; Sharon Hancock who

manned the high jump; Harbury Scouts who supplied and erected two tents; Stephen Bell who acted as a contact with the public address system; Mr. Jennings at the First Aid Tent; Doreen and John Mann of the Old New Inn who loaned trays for the waiters' race. See you next year! J. L. H.

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, 27th May

Lack of space this month precludes a detailed report - please remember P. C. minutes are in the Library.

A variety of minor matters were appropriately delegated at this first meeting under the chairmanship of Geoff Wright, and discussion then took place on the following:

One-Way System: it was agreed to press for a complete one-way system in the Crown Street area.

Large Rubbish: Cllr. Ellis said he did not believe the reasons given for the service being SO bad, with no notice of collection dates being available. It was agreed to back the campaign for a more efficient service at all levels.

Buses: Midland Red's present proposals will not affect Harbury, but future cuts may do so, so Cllr. Ellis proposed that a survey among present and potential bus users should be taken. Anyone wishing to give an opinion should contact the Clerk at 2 Margaret Close.

Highways: Mr. Trice has promised to make Footpath SM62a 'more commodious'.

Village Greens: The Council is not averse to children playing on the greens, but organised ball games should take place on the Recreation Ground.

Next Meeting: Thurs. 8th July, 7.30, V. Hall. L. RIDGLEY

### HOW DO YOU SEE HARBURY?

What is Harbury? Is it a pretty village, a village where there is serious drinking at its 7 licensed establishments, a thriving community? How do you picture Harbury? Now is your chance to show us by entering the 'Harbury News' Photographic Competition, which is being launched to celebrate our award in the Diocesan Parish Magazine Competition.

The theme of the competition is 'My Village', and entry is simple. All you have to do is to submit four photographs - in colour or black and white - which illustrate Harbury.

A prize of £5 will be awarded for the best set of photographs and a special prize of a colour film for the best entry by an under-16 year old has been given by John Sandy, a member of the Harbury Society and Chief Photographer at Joseph Lucas Ltd., who will be one of the judges, together with Michael Barnes, an editor of the Harbury News and Publicity and PR Manager of Crypto Peerless Ltd. Entries should be sent to 23 Mill Street, Harbury, not later than 10th Sept. 1976.

It is hoped that an exhibition of all entries will be arranged, and prize winners will be announced in the October edition of the Harbury News.

M. B.

### TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Beer and Wine helped towards a very enjoyable afternoon in super weather on 6th June, when the winners were Ray Hoare and Joyce Callow, and the runners up were Peter Roberts and Sheila Scott.

SALLY GASCOYNE

### N. S. P. C. C. SALE RESULTS

Raffle: 1st, Mrs. Sherlock, 9 Honiwell Close, ticket no. 13, (chopping board). 2nd, Mrs. Bunting, Vicarage Lane, no. 105, (tea towels). 3rd, Jennifer Scott, 25 Binswood End, no. 99, (coffee and tights). Guess the number of marbles: Winner, Mrs. Catt, 16 Dovehouse Lane. Guess the weight of the cake: Winner, Catie Jackson, 63 Mill Street.

The total profit made was £32.33p. Many thanks to all who helped and those who came and made it so successful.

VICTORIA MACGOWAN.

### HARBURY SOCIETY

We heard a talk recently on Harbury's past by Mr. Charles Keeling. It was illustrated with slides and tales of local characters (in dialect). Apparently, the name Harbury is derived from Heber's Berg, Heber being a Saxon woman of high status, and Berg a fortified settlement on high ground. In Saxon times the village was one of 25 paying Wroth Silver to the Lord of the Knightlow Hundred once a year at Dunsmore Heath.

The Agricultural Revolution caused Harbury to become a pool of labour for the closed parishes of Ufton and Chesterton. The Black Death had little effect on the Parish, which was some distance from the main thorough-fares.

During the early 1800s the Lime Works opened and there was a building boom. The population rose to around 1,000, and remained stable until the 1050s. The oldest buildings are stone built, notably some in Chapel Street, and particularly interesting is Mrs. Fell's house, which is cruck-framed (i.e. has the roof supported by split tree trunks at each end which form an A shape). Brick was used for the first time in the village at Western House, by the railway tunnel, and the top of the Dovehouse.

Mr. Keeling then showed photographs, including several of the old Dovehouse, and beautiful and unusual buildings, the loss of which is much regretted. The Chairman then thanked Mr. Keeling, and presented him with a gift.

The Harbury Society Carnival Competition was won by Mr. Roger Fell of Frances Road, who identified all 10 pictures correctly. Mr. Fell said that he was born in Harbury and had lived here all his life and "I wasn't going to let it beat me". Joint second, with 7 correct, were R. Baldwin, F. Lenard and R. Picken. B. Taylor, Mr. Wilson, E. Key and P. Barnes had 6 right, and those with 5 correct were M. Bloxham, E. Hanson, E. Barnes, Miss Emtage, P. Tanner, J. Wilkins, C. Finch, A. Bloxham. The average was 3 correct, so you will see that all the above did very well indeed.

We were pleased that so many people showed an interest in our display at the Carnival, and that the Museum Caravan was so popular. I would like to thank all those who helped, especially Mr. Sandy who took the photographs for the competition, and John Ridgley who traced the electrical fault in the Museum Caravan.

The competition photographs, with the correct answers, are on display in the Library. LINDA RIDGLEY

#### GOLDEN AGE

On behalf of the members, I wish to thank the Senior Citizens' Committee for a most enjoyable trip to Woburn Abbey. The ride round the Safari Park seeing the animals just made our day. Once again, thanking all concerned. E. SHEASBY.

#### CHRISTIAN AID

Approx. £99 was raised in Harbury, thanks to the efforts of Sara Bennett and all her willing helpers.

## SCOUTS

Bob Small and Gary Picken have gained Chief Scout Awards. This is the first time any of these coveted awards have come to Harbury, and the troop is justly proud of Gary and Bob.

Brian Taylor, Scout Leader, recently gained his Advanced British Canoe Union Certificate, and Andrew Hunt, Bob Small, Gary Picken and David Clarke gained their Elementary ones, at a course at Warwick. Twelve of the scouts did a Sponsored Canoe in Leamington as part of Harbury week, one of them completing 5 miles in 1 hour, and the boys raised about £30.

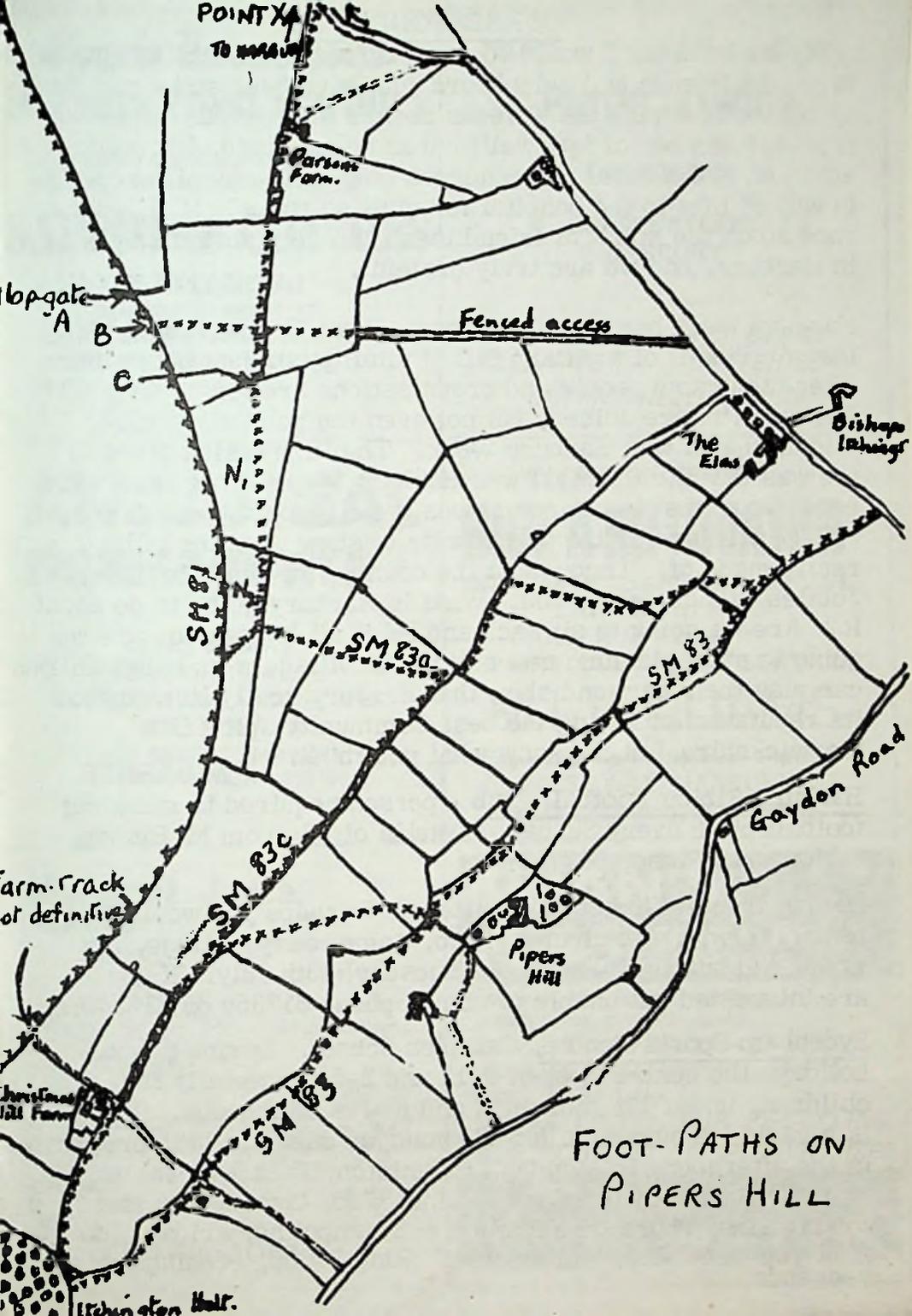
The Mid-Warks Scouts Athletics were entered by a team from the village consisting of Colin McQuistan, Stephen Hunt, Gary Picken, Andrew Hunt and Peter Hutchins. Gary obtained a 1st and a 3rd, Peter a 2nd and a 3rd, and Andrew a 2nd. The certificates were presented by David Moorcroft, a member of our Olympic Team.

### FIELD FOOTPATH NO. 8

As a 2nd example of the series of field paths which are available to interested Harbury residents, but which also extend into neighbouring parishes, I have taken the SM83 complex, that pervades the maze of small fields behind Piper's Hill. One can enter it at the gate marked Bridleway just west of Harbury Heath, and turn immediately left along the tall hedgerow. This bridleway is the very long SM81 shown on the left of the map. After passing through clapgates A and B, the walker is directed to the fenced access to the allotments. Alternatively, one can walk to the bottom of the Hurdiss Farm 'straight' to where the gate used to be. On the right at point X is an unstepped stile leading to the old Parson's farm, then crossing the previously mentioned path. A straight line brings the walker to clapgate C which leads to two narrow fields (N1 and N2). Nearly half way along the second one a further path (SM83a) meets this route, and one can either turn right back on to SM81 or left across two fields on to the continuation of SM83a or 83c.

The choice of routes from here is extremely wide - one can penetrate as far as the corner of Itchington Holt and then return to Bishop's Itchington Church by SM83, the Piper's Hill route, or turn back on to SM81 to return to Harbury. I do hope some readers will try this system of paths, and I shall welcome any comments about the expedition. Good Walking! and do remember the Country Code, please.

H. A. HILL.



FOOT-PATHS ON  
PIPERS HILL

## CORRESPONDENCE

My husband and I would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all the friends and neighbours who have been so helpful & sympathetic during the 7 weeks he was in hospital. Apart from the number of 'get well' cards he received, I myself am most grateful for the generous help so freely given to me in way of lifts to the hospital for visiting times. It all shows once again the spirit of friendliness and helpfulness existing in Harbury, and we are truly grateful.

LUCY KNIGHTON.

Harbury Week has come and gone. What impression did it leave? Was it of a village full of vitality, or just somewhere where the same people and organisations are left to do it all? Perhaps I'm prejudiced, but not even the publicity really told us that it was Harbury Week. The impression given to me was that the Carnival was Harbury Week, when it should have shown that the Carnival was the climax of the festivities!

1977 will give us the opportunity to show what the village is really made of. Throughout the country the Queen's Silver Jubilee will be celebrated. What is Harbury going to do about it? Are we going to sit back and let it all happen, or are we going to start planning now so that all villagers and organisations can play their part and show that Harbury really lives up to its reputation of having the best Community Spirit in Warwickshire. Let me know what you think.

M. BARNES

Harbury Albion Football Club - person required to mark out football pitch every Sunday. Details of job from M. Bishop, 4 Margaret Close, 612759.

Having trouble finding Babysitters? Perhaps you would like to help form a new circle. If so, come to Ivy Cottage, Ivy Lane, at about 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 13th July. If you are interested but unable to come, phone 612356 or 612340.

Sydenham Sports Centre, Campion School. During school holidays the centre is open 9-12 and 2-5, especially for children, under 12s mornings and 10-16s afternoons. There is a varied programme for the younger ones, and the programme in the afternoons is Monday, Badminton; Tuesday, Table Tennis, Basket Ball & Trampoline; Wed, Gymnastics and Trampoline; Thurs., Badminton & Trampoline; Friday, 'do what you want' day. Interested? Ring 30668, evenings or weekends.

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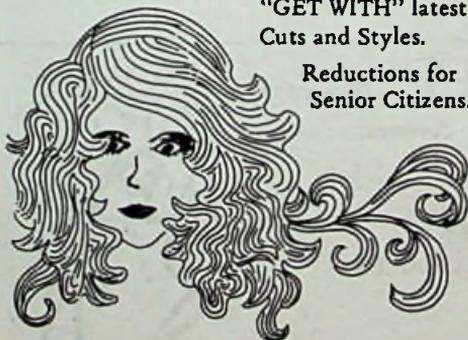
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